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**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG  
BREMER KIDNAPPING**

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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11:45 A.M.

I called Mr. Alt in connection with the Bremer case. He advised that you had told him about Hanson, Stapleton and another Agent coming down there and stated that he is going to meet them at Jacksonville and give them additional instructions. He advised that you had mentioned the advisability of taking tracer ammunition with them, but that Connelley did not seem to think they wanted it. Alt stated he was sending additional tracer ammunition, and I suggested that he send additional gas and some field lights in the event this thing goes on into the night. Alt stated that the Chief of Police had advised him that from his information there had been no shooting from within but that the boys have been shooting from without and the place is completely barricaded and the Sheriff is out there with a couple of deputies. I requested that some sort of contact be made with the Agents at the place so that they will recognize the additional men when they arrive, and Alt stated this would be done, and that he would keep me advised of developments.

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm.

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Time - 4:55 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Mr. Snyder telephoned and stated that it had been indicated that there was about \$10,000 found in the possession of Mrs. Barker at the time she was killed. I told him that this was true; that the sum of money found in the possession of Fred Barker and Mrs. Barker was somewhat in excess of \$10,000, and it was all right to state this to the press.

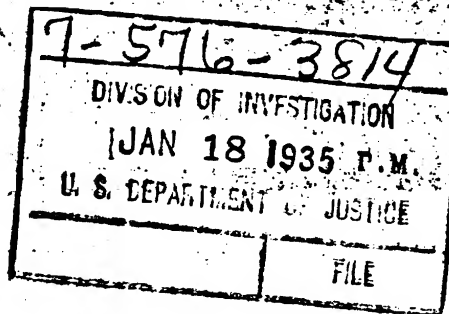
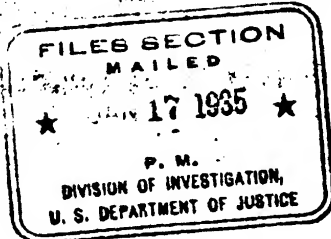
Mr. Snyder further stated that the Attorney General had handled the press conference in a very good manner; that the story had been broken about Doc Barker, but pertinent details as to his present whereabouts, etc., were not divulged to the press.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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January 16, 1935.

MEMORANDUM

Fred Barker is a member of the notorious family of criminals and is reputed to be the leader of the so-called Barker-Karpis gang. He is a brother of Arthur R. Barker, who is named in the indictment returned at St. Paul, Minnesota by the Federal Grand Jury on May 4, 1934, charged, together with several others, with violating the Federal Kidnaping Statute dated June 22, 1932, arising out of the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, President of the Commercial State Bank, St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 17, 1934. Fred Barker was also one of the kidnapers of Bremer. The elder brother of the Barkers, Herman Barker, was a member of the notorious Kime-Inman-Terrill gang of outlaws who operated throughout the Middle West during the late twenties. Herman Barker committed suicide at Wichita, Kansas, on August 29, 1927, during a gun battle with police rather than submit to arrest. A third brother, Lloyd Barker, is presently serving a sentence at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, charged with assaulting a mail custodian. The mother of the Barker brothers, known as "Kate" or "Mother" Barker, travelled with them and is reported to have been a participant in their nefarious crimes.

According to the records of the Identification Unit of the Division of Investigation Fred Barker has an extensive criminal record.

He was first arrested by the Police Department, Miami, Oklahoma, September 5, 1922 as Fred Barker, alias Gus Barker, on a charge of investigation, and was released.

On October 5, 1922 he was next arrested by the Police Department, Tulsa, Oklahoma, as Fred Barker, #3204 on a charge of vagrancy, and sentenced to thirty days in the City Jail.

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As Fred Barker, #4079, he was received by the State Reformatory, Granite, Oklahoma, June 28, 1923; crime, conjoint robbery; sentence, 5 years.

On December 19, 1925 he was arrested by the Police Department, Okmulgee, Oklahoma, as J. Darrows, #293 on charge, investigation - bank robbery; released December 23, 1925.

The Police Department at Little Rock, Arkansas, on May 28, 1926 arrested him as Fred Barker alias T. B. Olang, #3575, on charges of being a fugitive from justice. He was immediately released to the Fort Smith, Arkansas, authorities under bond of \$1,000, on charges of burglary and grand larceny. This bond was later forfeited.

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The Police Department at Ponca City, Oklahoma, July 25, 1926 arrested Barker as F. G. Ward on a burglary charge and delivered him to the Police Department at Winfield, Kansas.

On November 8, 1926, as Ted Murphy, he was tried and convicted by the Winfield, Kansas, authorities on charges of burglary and larceny and sentenced to serve from 5 to 10 years in the State Penitentiary at Lansing, Kansas, where he was received as Fred Barker, alias Ted Murray, #9856, on March 12, 1927.

He was arrested by the Police Department at Tulsa, Oklahoma, on June 10, 1931 as Fred Barker, #5204, charged with investigation - burglary and car theft. He was delivered to the Sheriff's Office at Claremore, Oklahoma, on July 15, 1931, charged with burglary. He escaped from the County Jail, Claremore, Oklahoma, August 16, 1931 and has been a fugitive from justice since that date.

Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis are wanted by the authorities at West Plains, Missouri, where on December 11, 1931 they killed Sheriff Charles R. Kelly.

Considerable information has been gathered by Special Agents of the Division of Investigation showing that Fred Barker and his gang were closely associated with members of the Keating-Holden-Nash gang, having participated with members of this gang in numerous bank robberies. At the time of the apprehension of Keating and Holden on the Old Mission Golf Course, Kansas City, Missouri, July 7, 1932, Fred Barker fled from that city with his mother, Kate Barker, her paramour, George Dunlop, and Alvin Karpis, and proceeded to West St. Paul, Minnesota, where they established themselves. Shortly thereafter the body of George Dunlop was found beside the highway where it was thrown by his murderers. Fred Barker was suspected in connection with this crime.

During the course of the investigation the residence of Kate Barker and her sons Fred and Arthur R. Barker was discovered in Chicago, Illinois, where it was learned that a safety deposit box in the Woodlawn Safe Deposit Box Company, Chicago, Illinois, had been rented on July 26, 1933 by Kate Barker, using the name Mrs. F. E. Gordon. She gave the name of her son as Ray Gordon, as a co-renter of this box. This box was entered on September 11, 1934 under a search warrant and it was found to contain \$5,506.00

in currency, which still remains uncalled for at the Safe Deposit Box Company.

Information was also obtained during the course of the investigation that Kate Barker had vacated an apartment on the South Side of Chicago during September, 1935.

Kate Barker was located with her son Fred Barker near Ocala, Florida on the morning of January 18, 1935 and, while she and her son Fred were resisting arrest, they were both shot and killed.

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BREKID INFORMATION RECEIVED DOROTHY KARPIS TULSA OKLAHOMA

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Ladd called and stated that the Chicago American carries a headline to the effect that Doc Barker was secretly held by the U. S. for one week; that the papers have been calling him and he has been denying the story. The papers, according to Mr. Ladd, state he was held secretly in Chicago by the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department. "He was arrested as he left the North Side Apartment with a woman. At almost the same moment another group of Federal Agents raided an apartment at 3920 Pine Grove, killing Russell Gibson." On the day following the shooting, one of the newspaper men asked if it was not true that someone else had been taken in the near vicinity of the raid on the Pine Grove Avenue apartment. Ladd said no at that time, of course. After consulting you, I advised Mr. Ladd to inform that we had no comments to make on the subject. Mr. Ladd seems to think the information was received by the newspapers during their inquiry around the neighborhood after they had found some man and woman were taken.

Mr. Ladd stated he had taken signed statements from the people living in the hideout and had sent them home, there being nothing to indicate that they were mixed up in the activities. They are still holding Elmer Farmer. I advised there was no record in the Veterans Administration of Harold Farmer, which is the latest spelling of the name given by Mr. Ladd. He stated that they had an 18-page statement from Elmer Farmer, which was not as yet signed, but it is believed that it will be in a few moments, in which he admits that Goetz asked him to get a house where he wanted to keep a few men for a week or ten days; that he acted as a guard around town for the gang while they had Bremer in the house; that he tried to find out if any investigation was being made and reported to the gang; that the second day Bremer was kept at the hideout Alderton told him that it was Bremer who was held there for ransom. Elmer Farmer knows all of the gang and can identify their photographs and states that a few days after Bremer was released, Goetz gave him \$1000. I stated he had better be included in the indictment.

In connection with Monte Carter, Mr. Ladd stated he did not believe he was directly in on the kidnaping but obtained approximately \$3000 from Goetz afterwards. He stayed with Mrs. Goetz most of the time during Goetz's absence. It is believed Carter should be indicted and held as a witness, and that we should endeavor to have him placed on probation; that if we released him the police would probably pick him up and charge him with participation in the St. Valentine's Day Massacre. Mr. Ladd stated Farmer will identify both of the Barkers as being present at the hideout.

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Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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January 17, 1935.

Time-10:02 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Mr. Francis Connor of the Chicago Daily News telephoned and asked if I wouldn't substantiate the story printed by the Chicago American yesterday to the effect that "Doc" Barker had been in custody for five days in Chicago.

I stated that I could make no comment, as all newspaper releases had to come through Mr. Henry Suydam of the Department.

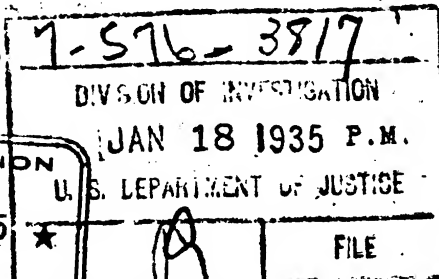
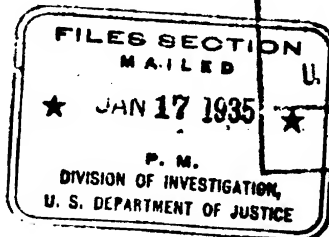
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John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.  
January 17, 1935.

Time 9:45 PM

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Please be advised that SAC Ladd telephoned from Chicago and stated that one Harold Allderton was taken into custody this evening at Kokomo, Indiana, by agents of this Division. This individual is the person who had the house where Bremer was held. He is being brought into the Chicago office for questioning and every effort will be made to keep the information out of the newspapers, although there is a possibility that Allderton's mother will give the information out, as it was necessary to station several agents at her home to prevent her warning her son, if he attempted to contact her prior to his apprehension.

Mr. Nathan is leaving for St. Paul at 10:45 PM

Respectfully,

*C.E. Kleinkauf*  
C.E. Kleinkauf.

*See that he is thoroughly questioned.*

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*J. C. N.*

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*Edward H. Bremer*

JEM:ACB

January 16, 1935.

Time: 10:54 a.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

I telephoned the Jacksonville Office and talked to Agent Lacour in the absence of Mr. Alt. He stated Mr. Alt had been informed by the Associated Press that a report was received from the representative of that association at Ocala, Florida, to the effect that a battle had been raging since day-break or 7 o'clock this morning. I inquired as to whether Mr. Connelley had made any effort to arrange for telephonic contact during the course of the battle. Ocala is 107 miles from Jacksonville, and Mr. Lacour surmised that it would take less than two hours to reach there from Jacksonville via plane.

Mr. Lacour further advised that the point at which the Agents are now operating is about 13 miles from Ocala, which means it is about 120 miles from Jacksonville. Mr. Lacour stated he has been through the section of Florida surrounding Ocala, and it is not a thickly populated section. The house in which the members of the gang are located is situated on a lake, and although there are quite a few small towns in the vicinity, Ocala is the nearest town of any size. Upon further consideration, Mr. Lacour stated that he felt they could reach Ocala in one hour travelling by plane, and it would possibly take half an hour to reach the scene of the battle by automobile.

Mr. Lacour stated that only he and Mr. Alt are left at Jacksonville. He will call immediately upon receipt of further information.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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January 16, 1935.

Time: 11:10 a.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Mr. Alt telephoned from Jacksonville, Florida, and stated he had just returned from the Associated Press headquarters, in accordance with your instructions. He learned a bulletin was received to the effect that a group of about fifteen Agents and an undetermined number of men from Chicago were engaged in a gun battle at Oklawaha, about fifteen miles from Ocala; that the firing had been continuing since 7 o'clock this morning; that the gangsters are barricaded in a deserted house; that there are no casualties on either side, although machine gun fire was coming from both sides.

I stated that I want to be certain Mr. Connelley has sufficient ammunition in gas and guns. Mr. Alt advised that a group of Agents left Jacksonville this morning at 1:00 o'clock, at which time they had plenty of equipment. Mr. Alt was deeply concerned because he had not been able to contact any one in Ocala in order to get information. He places no confidence in the sheriff at Ocala. I told him I had in mind having either him or Mr. Lacour proceed to Ocala by chartered plane to make contact if it could be done safely, without becoming involved in the firing. I remarked that of course the members of the Karpis-Barker gang are the worst criminals in the entire country, and particularly not knowing the extent of their equipment and ammunition, I am deeply concerned lest our Agents exhaust their supply of equipment. Mr. Alt said he insisted last night that the Agents take shields with them, and although they were reluctant to do so because they felt they were not adequate to resist bullets, they did take them along; that the Agents were equipped with high-powered rifles and .351 guns. Mr. Alt stated that he had left in the office a couple of Monitors, a rifle and one machine gun. He did not believe they would need more guns, but it is now rather a question of ammunition.

Mr. Alt inquired as to the advisability of trying to contact somebody in Ocala. He stated he has heard favorable comments concerning the new Chief of Police at Ocala. Mr. Alt estimated that it would require approximately an hour and a half to reach Ocala by plane. I expressed concern over the fact that the press representatives will now interfere with the situation in the vicinity of Ocala; that I have confidence in our Agents' being able to handle the situation if there is no interference of this type. Mr. Alt did not feel that we need anticipate such interference due to the fact that they are located at an isolated spot and there had been no leak until this morning. I stated that no doubt the news reel and movietone representatives will rush in as soon as they learn there is a battle.

I instructed Mr. Alt to charter a plane immediately and proceed to Ocala in order to make contact, or if he felt Agent Lacour could handle this situation it would be all right to send him to Ocala. Mr. Alt expressed confidence in Mr. Lacour's ability to take care of this matter. I suggested that

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he take with him additional high-powered rifles and ammunition. Mr. Alt said he would arrange immediately for Mr. Lacour to proceed to Ocala by the fastest plane available. I instructed that Mr. Lacour proceed by automobile from Ocala to the scene of the battle, taking with him the guns and ammunition, and then arrange to get in touch with us to inform as to the status of the situation.

Mr. Alt stated that in the meantime, he would also attempt to make contact at Ocala by telephone.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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January 16, 1935

Time - 6:08 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Mr. Connelley telephoned from Florida and stated that the parties in the house opened fire on them first, whereupon the Agents returned the fire with the result that both Mrs. Barker and Fred Barker were killed; that Mrs. Barker had in her hand at the time of her death a machine gun, and Fred had apparently emptied a machine gun and had started to use his automatic at the time he was killed by a shot from a 30.06 rifle. They found four \$1000 bills in Fred Barker's money belt, in addition to two machine guns, four bullet-proof vests, a Marlin rifle, two shot guns, a .22 rifle, some old shot guns and quite an amount of ammunition which was found at various places in the house.

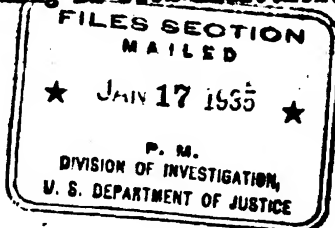
Mr. Connelley stated that he has to appear tomorrow at 11:00 A.M., before the coroner's jury. Mr. Connelley stated that he would limit his testimony to the fact of their identity, their connection with the Karpis-Barker gang and the Bremer kidnaping, and their past criminal record. Mr. Connelley stated that he anticipated no trouble in this inquest as the people and officers down there were very cooperative.. He stated that while he has not as yet contacted the United States Attorney, there may be some question as to whether or not we were authorized to take the money and guns out of the house, and if such a question does come up, he will then contact the United States Attorney.

Mr. Connelley stated that in view of the availability of numerous Agents in that particular section of the country at the present time, he deemed it advisable for him to personally proceed to Miami, Florida just as soon as possible and there conduct an investigation to find Karpis and Campbell, who are believed to be in that vicinity. I told him that I concurred in this, and just as soon as the Coroner's jury inquest is over, he should then proceed to Miami.

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I told Mr. Connelley that it was my opinion that we would have to break the story about Doc Barker tomorrow; that the Chicago American came out today with a story to the effect that we have this man; that in view of the circumstances, it was my opinion that there is some leak in the Chicago Office; that I have ordered this man returned from Detroit to Chicago tonight, and I am going to start to get indictments at St. Paul tomorrow morning, naming in such indictments all the persons involved, including Mrs. Barker.



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Memo for Mr. Tamm

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Mr. Connelley stated that the newspaper men and the movietone men have been swarming around the place, but they have been allowed to photograph only the outside of the house; that as a matter of fact, no one has been allowed to enter the house; that they are not being allowed to photograph our men.

Mr. Connelley stated that the man who owns the house is coming up tonight, and Mr. Connelley is going to tell him just exactly where he stands in this matter; that this man is a member of that crowd who runs the various race tracks, etc., in and around Miami, and it is possible that he is implicated.

Mr. Connelley stated that the very best of cooperation has been extended by the county officers down there; that after the battle they came around and congratulated him and the Agents on their work. I told Mr. Connelley that he should make a note of the names of any of these men who were of particular assistance and I would in the due course of time drop them a personal note of thanks. Mr. Connelley stated that there are a couple of the men who he thinks should be paid \$50.00 or \$100.00 for their services. I told him that we would certainly approve any such just payments to parties deserving the same. I told him to also make a note of the names of the Agents who were of particular service in this matter.

I requested that he advise me of any further developments, and he stated that he would telephone me in the morning.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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January 16, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Reference is made to our conversation concerning the Identification Order and temporary wanted notice situation.

I am informed that an Identification Order was issued with respect to Doc Barker because he was definitely identified as being connected with the Bremer kidnaping. This participation was predicated upon fingerprints developed from a gasoline can used by the kidnapers of Mr. Bremer. Barker and Alvin Karpis had been indicted for conspiracy to kidnap, Karpis having been identified as the person who purchased flashlight batteries which were identified in connection with the case.

I am informed by Mr. Tamm and Mr. Newby that Fred Barker was not made the subject of an Identification Order because there was not sufficient evidence upon which to base an I. O. However, the Division knew that Fred Barker was a member of the Barker-Karpis mob and on this basis issued what is called a temporary wanted notice requesting all offices to personally call upon the Chief of Police or the person in charge of the identification bureau in the larger cities of the districts for the purpose of requesting that any information concerning the whereabouts of Fred Barker be promptly reported to the field office. Other temporary wanted notices were issued with respect to Harry Campbell, Volney Davis, Charles J. Fitzgerald, Jess Doyle, Clyde Nimerick, Harry Sawyer, Edna Murray, Myrtle Eaton and William Weaver. Copies of these wanted notices are attached and I am informed that these are the only wanted notices ever issued by the Division.

Mr. Tamm and Mr. Newby inform me that no Identification Order was issued on Maw Barker because there was no evidence of her actual participation in the kidnaping. They state that no temporary wanted notice was issued with respect to her because her fingerprints were not available. She has no criminal record apparently.

Your attention is invited to the fact that Fred Barker was wanted by the Police Department and Sheriff's Office at West Plains, Missouri, and that he was wanted for escape and assault with intent to kill by the Police Department of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and the Sheriff's Office of Claremore, Oklahoma. Mr. Newby further informs me that at the recent conference at Chicago, he argued very strongly in favor of re-indicting all of the Karpis-Barker gang for the kidnaping of Mr. Bremer for the Division's protection in the event of killing of any of these individuals. He stated that he was alone in his position concerning this matter and that the other officials and Agents in attendance felt no good purpose would be served by this action. I would have been inclined to favor Mr. Newby's suggestion. I think that in all of these cases

*I agree with Newby thoroughly.*  
*J. E. H.*

January 16, 1935.

wherein there is sufficient evidence to justify an indictment, such an indictment would serve as protection to the Division in the event these individuals were subsequently killed or in the event any persons were killed in connection with efforts to apprehend and capture such persons. I am not at all sure that Mr. Tamm agrees with this viewpoint as he seems rather inclined to the view that efforts to apprehend individuals in such instances may be circumvented by publicity which usually results from the issuance of an Identification Order. While the Division Agents clearly were fully justified in killing Fred Barker and Maw Barker in that they resisted arrest when they were being sought for questioning, there is no indictment of record specifically charging them with participation in the kidnaping. Of course, it is true that Fred Barker was wanted for murder but there is no criminal record of Maw Barker.

Respectfully,

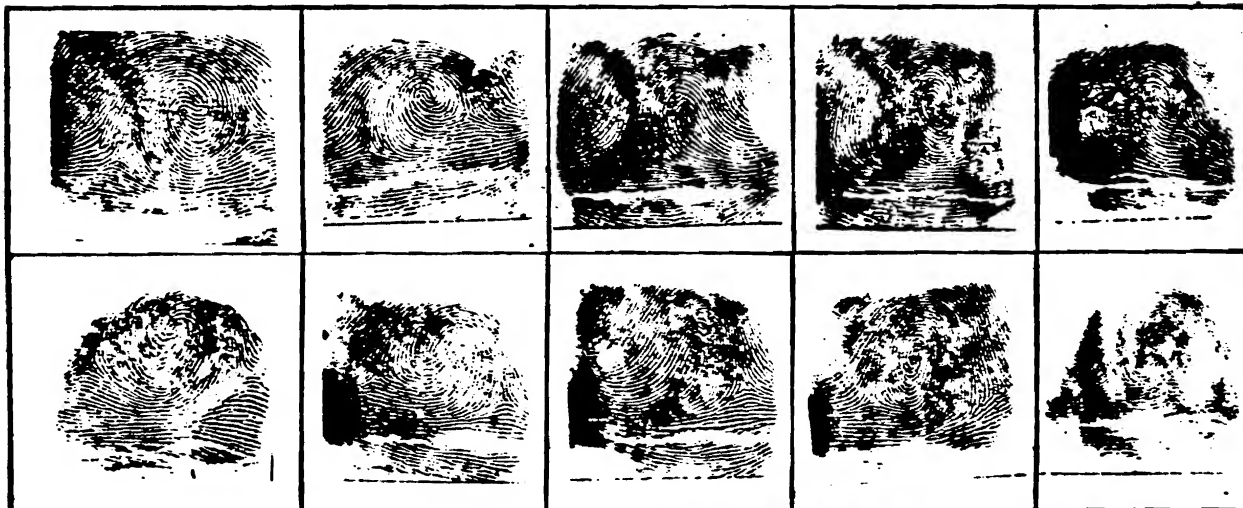
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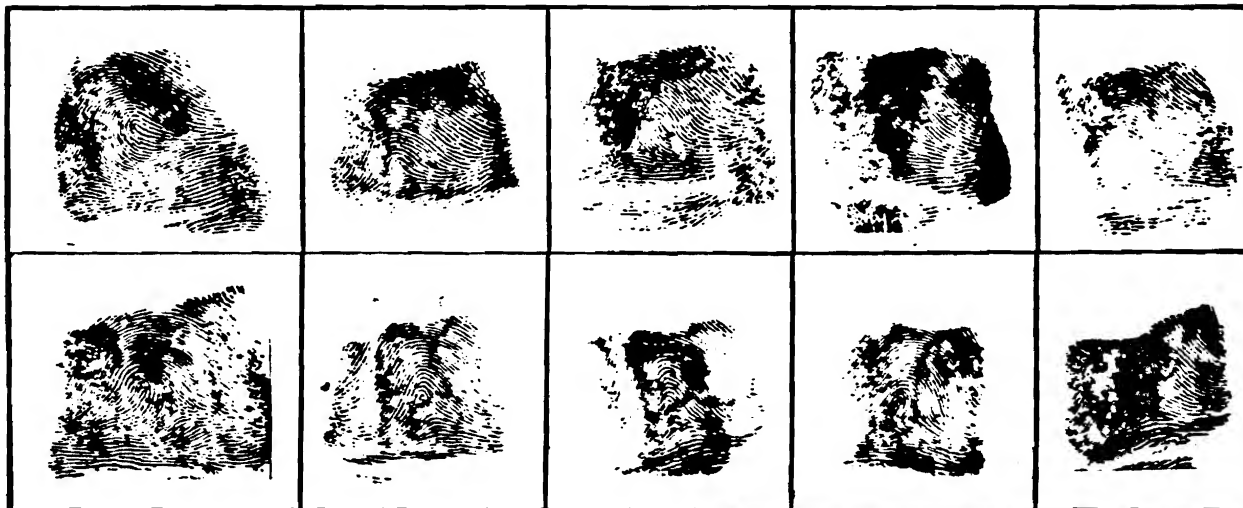
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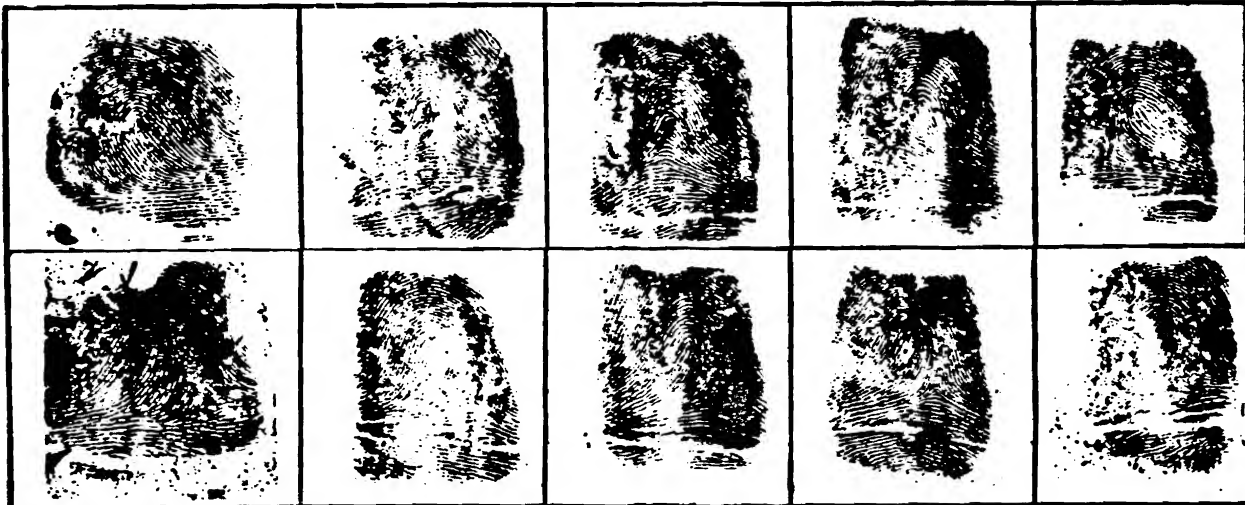
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Charles E. Lowe, J. C. Hammond, Frank West, J. C. Adams,  
P. Fitzgerald, W. E. Fitzgerald, Charles Jordan, Daniel Mathias  
Logan, "Chuck" Fitzgerald, "Big Fitz", "Chi Slim", "Big Charley",  
"Long Charley", "Slim Williams". Division No. 95780.



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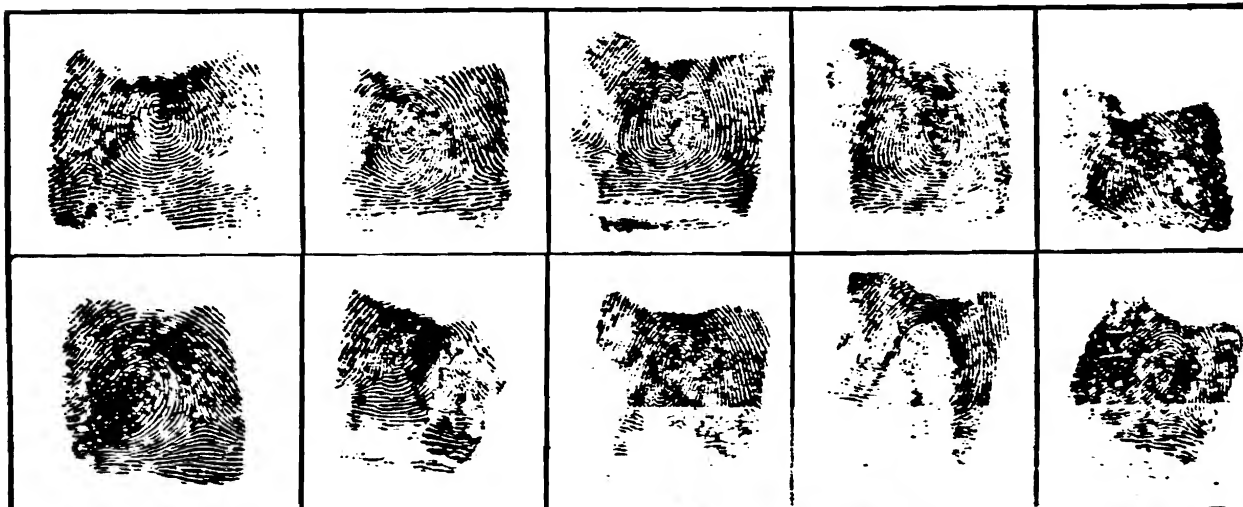
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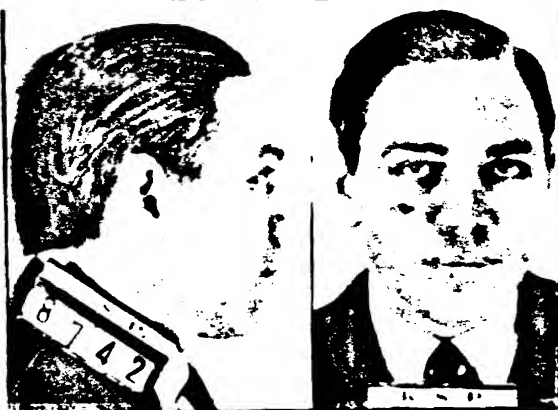
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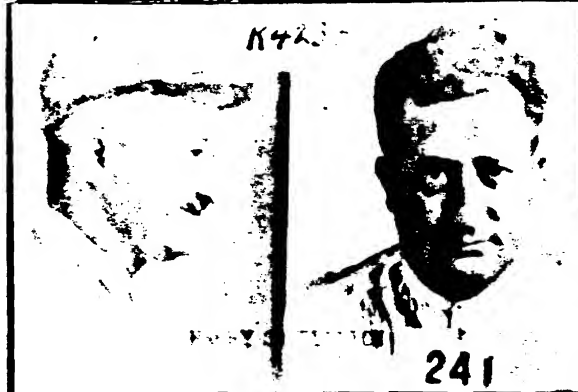
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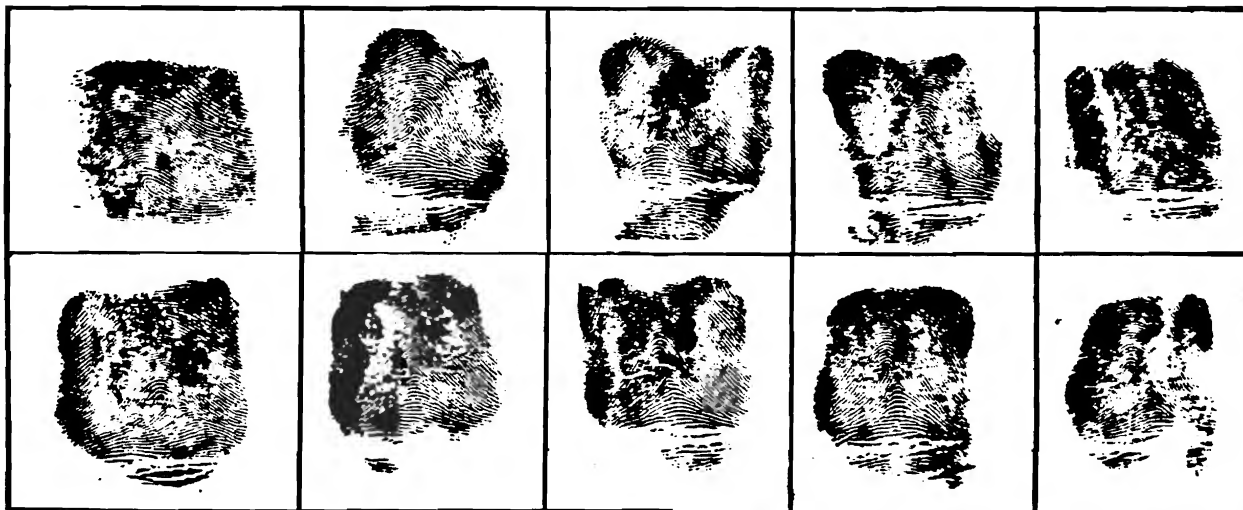
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EDNA MURRAY, with aliases: Edna Sullivan, Martha Murray, Edna Price,  
Edna Stanley, Velma Tippetts, Doris Farrell, Velma Champaign.  
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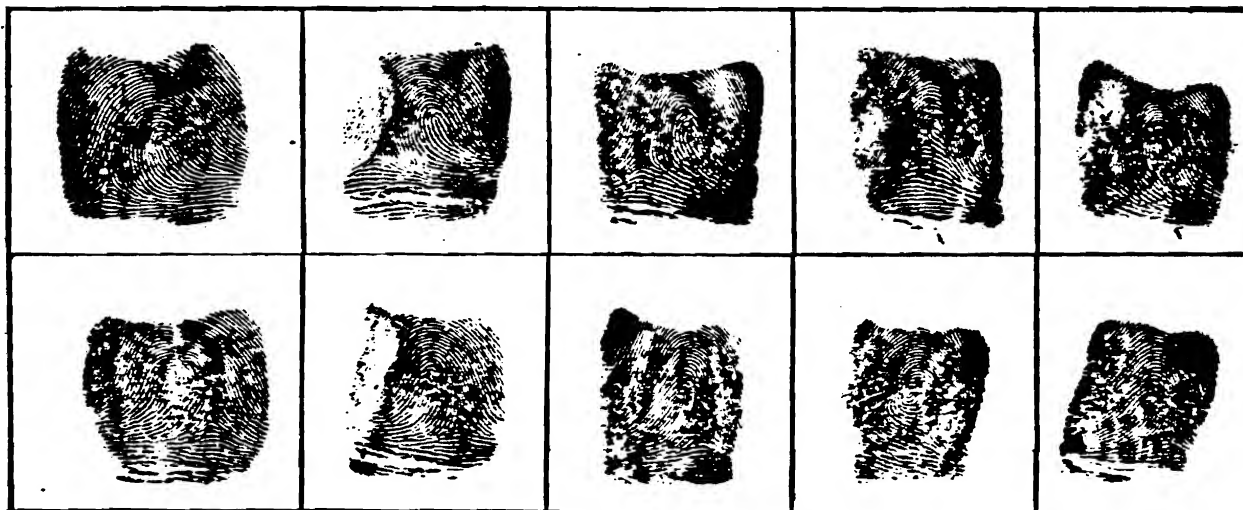
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MYRTLE EATON, with aliases: Sue Bond, Alice Martin, Ruth Martin,  
Myrtle King. Division No. 337474.



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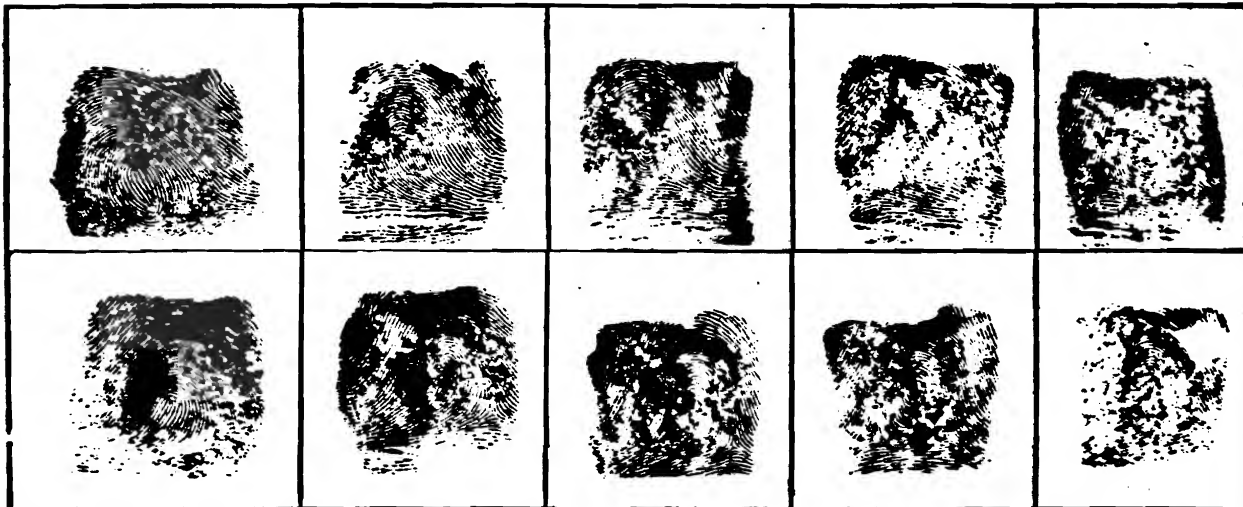
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WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases: Phoenix O'Donnell, Phoenix Donald,  
P. J. Nelson, R.A. Nelson, T. J. Nelson, Bill Scott, J. A.  
Orhood. Division No. 17920.



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FRED BARKER, with aliases: F. G. Ward, Ted Murphy, J. Darrows,  
R. E. Davis, J. E. Blackburn, T. C. Blackburn, A. S. Hunter,  
J. Earl Matterson, Earl J. Matterson, J. Stanley Smith,  
Fred E. Gordon. Fred E. Anderson. Division No. 59163.



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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.  
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

10:45 A.M.

Mr. Alt called in connection with the Bremer case. He stated he had just received an inquiry from the Associated Press as to whether he knew anything about a bunch of fifteen or so Agents down in Ocala, Florida, and Alt advised he did not. Alt was advised by the A. P. representative that he had just received a call from the hotel in Ocala and that there has been a battle raging there since 7 o'clock this morning; that the Agents are shooting into the house and the fire is being returned.

Mr. Alt advised, upon inquiry, that Connelley has 14 men with him and that he, Alt, had loaded them up with extra ammunition last night, and thinks they have plenty. Alt stated Mr. Viles of the Associated Press, whom he knows very well, had stated he would let Alt read their bulletin, and I requested that he do this and then call the Division giving all the information contained therein.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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Time-12:45A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TALK

A man, refusing to give his name, called this morning prepaid from Chicago to inform the Division of the present whereabouts of a Dr. Moran, an abortionist, wanted by the Department of Justice. He stated that Dr. Moran, under the name of Mason, is presently associated with a Dr. Wells, 64th. and College Grove Avenues, Chicago, Ill.

The above is the extent of the information given.

Respectfully,

*R. L. Moore*  
R. L. Moore.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

With further reference to the investigative activity of this Division in the Edward G. Bremer kidnaping case on January 8, 1935, Special Agents of this Division took into custody Arthur R. Barker, alias "Doc" Barker, alias Bob Barker, alias Claude Dale. Barker was apprehended in the city of Chicago coincident with the fatal shooting of Russell Gibson, one of his associates, in another section of the city of Chicago, while resisting arrest being made by Special Agents of this Division. Arthur R. Barker was named along with several others as one of the defendants in an indictment returned by the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, on May 4, 1934, charged with violating the Federal Kidnaping Statute, in that on January 17, 1934, he and the other defendants kidnaped Edward G. Bremer, President of the Commercial State Bank of St. Paul, Minnesota.

Arthur R. Barker is a member of the notorious Karpis-Barker gang. Fred Barker, his brother, and Kate Barker, his mother, were killed in gun battle with Special Agents of this Division in the vicinity of Ocala, Florida, yesterday morning. Arthur R. Barker was convicted of the murder of Thomas J. Sherrill, an aged night watchman at the St. Johns Hospital, Tulsa, Oklahoma, on August 26, 1921. He was sentenced to life in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, but was paroled from that institution on September 10, 1932.

Barker has been removed to St. Paul, Minnesota, where he will be arraigned under the indictment charging him as one of the participants in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer.

Respectfully,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

I am attaching hereto a memorandum covering the arrest of Arthur G. Barker, otherwise known as "Doc" Barker. He is a brother of the Fred Barker whom we killed near Ocala, Florida yesterday. You will note that we arrested this man on January 8, 1935, at Chicago, Illinois. At the present moment, he is being removed from Chicago to St. Paul. He has not as yet reached St. Paul, and will not reach St. Paul until some time late this afternoon. I do not know whether you desire to make formal announcement of this arrest until he has reached St. Paul. I would see no objection to announcing that we have in custody Arthur Barker, but I do not believe it would be wise to indicate that he is being taken to St. Paul until he has actually reached the city of St. Paul. The Barkers have many underworld friends and it is within the realm of possibility, though not probability, that some effort might be made to release him from the custody of our Agents upon their arrival at St. Paul. There have been a number of newspaper stories published in the Chicago papers, indicating that Barker was in our custody, but there has been no confirmation from official sources of this fact. Of course, he is and has been in our custody since January 8, 1935.

Respectfully,

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John Edgar Hoover,  
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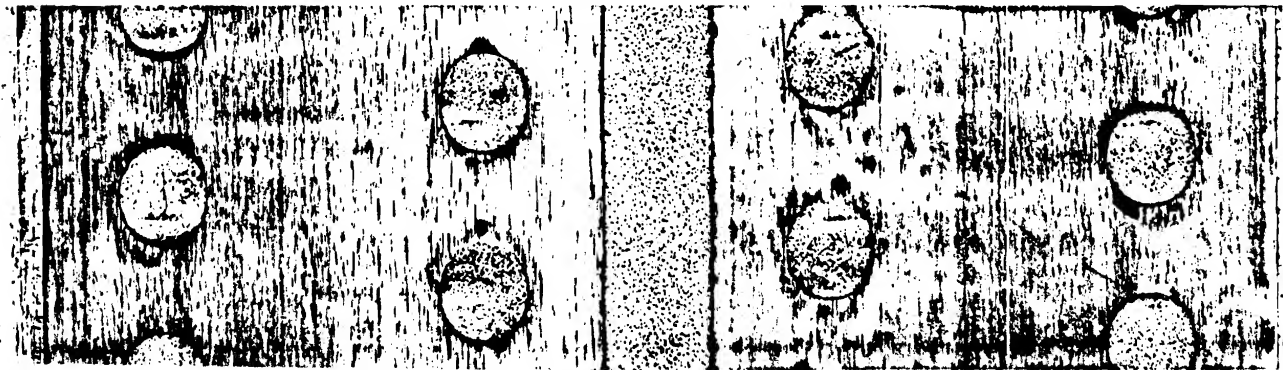
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P. O. Box 812  
Chicago, Illinois

January 17, 1935

Director  
Division of Investigation  
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Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I. O. 1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases, I. O. 1213;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I. O. 1232,  
et al.; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim  
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith a copy of  
the fingerprint impressions of Elmer Farmer, who  
was taken into custody by agents of the Chicago  
Division office on January 16, 1935, in connection  
with the above entitled case.

Very truly yours,

*E. J. Connelley*  
E. J. CONNELLEY  
Special Agent in Charge  
(Special Assignment)

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Division of Investigation,  
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P. O. Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of January 17, 1935, in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases, I. O. 1218; Arthur R. Barker with aliases, I. O. 1219; Russell Gibson with aliases, I. O. 1213; Dr. Joseph P. Moran with aliases, I. O. 1232, et al.; Edward George Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping.

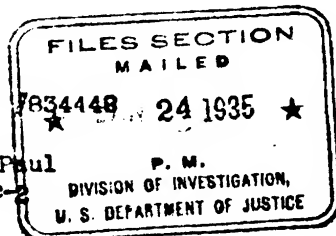
The fingerprints of Elmer Farmer submitted with your letter were compared with the latent fingerprints previously developed in connection with this case, but no identification was effected.

A transcript of the criminal record of Farmer as disclosed by the main fingerprint files of the Division is transmitted herewith.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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Mr. Nathan called in connection with the Bremer case to secure information concerning developments in the Florida situation. I advised that Fred and Kate Barker were both being made the subjects of a coroner's report this afternoon, and that there was no one else in the house, and none of our boys were hurt.

Mr. Nathan advised that he was leaving on the 4:50 train for Chicago.

I advised that the hide-out had been checked all right and had been entered this morning.

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm.

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January 16, 1935.

Director,  
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Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. 1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases, I.O. 1213;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.  
1232; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim  
KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

On January 10, 1935, Special Agents R. C. Suran, J. J. Metcalfe and F. G. Tillman secured the attached latent fingerprints numbered from 2 to 8 inclusive, at apartment 1, 3920 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, formerly occupied by Russell Gibson, Mrs. Clara Gibson, Byron Bolton and Ruth Heidt. These fingerprints were obtained from the following places:

No. 2 Center door of kitchen cabinet;  
No. 3 Casing of door leading from dining room to kitchenette;  
No. 4 " " " " " " " "  
No. 5 Right hand door of kitchen cabinet;  
No. 6 Linen closet door below knob;  
No. 7 Casing of door leading from hall to living room;  
No. 8 " " " " " " " "

Latent prints marked No. 9 to 11 inclusive, were obtained from apartment G1, Surf Lane Apartments, 432 Surf Street, formerly occupied by Doc Barker and Mildred Kuhlman. These latent prints were obtained from the following places:

No. 9 Door casings to bedroom;  
No. 10 Norol-agar bottle;  
No. 11 " " " " &

It is requested that these exhibits be compared with the fingerprints of the known suspects in the above entitled case.

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Very truly yours,

SPECIAL ASSISTANT

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cc-St. Paul

E. J. Connelley  
E. J. CONNELLEY, per v. v. v.  
Special Agent in Charge.

# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **St. Paul, Minnesota.**

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TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232; ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. #1219, ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>K I D N A P I N G</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

None of subjects known at Kentucky Hotel, Louisville, Ky. Efforts made to check occupants of rooms 1116 and 1408 for six months prior to September, 1934, but results rather negative due to absence of hotel records, which have been destroyed.

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**Reference:**

Report of Special Agent D.E. Hall, Detroit, 9/25/34.

**Details:**

**AT LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY**

The report of reference, page 23, details the finding of two keys for the Kentucky Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky, Rooms 1116 and 1408.

**DETAILS:**

Mr. Turner Milan, Assistant Manager, Kentucky Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky, advised that no separate record of missing keys is maintained at the hotel, and therefore it is impossible to determine just what occupants of the two rooms departed with the keys. The hotel is one of the prominent hotels of the city. Rooms 1116 and 1408 are the highest priced rooms in the hotel.

Effort was made to determine the name and address of every occupant of the rooms for a period of six months prior to September, 1934. A separate room record book is maintained at the

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hotel, containing the information as to the respective rooms occupied each day, designating the occupant by registration card number. With this information, the registration card of the occupant can be secured, together with the bill record, indicating telephone calls and other charges. Unfortunately, the hotel maintains a policy of destroying records, generally within a period of a few months after the guest has departed. Mr. Milam made an extensive search of the records, and was finally able to locate the bills on the following named persons, but was unable to locate the registration cards:

Room	Guest	Date registered	Phone calls
1408	W.D. Bartholomew, Chicago, Illinois.	4/11/34	None
1408	Fred Krause, New York City.	4/6/34	4/8/34 called long distance, N.Y. Cy. telephone Endicott 25237.
1408	H. L. Weber, Boston, Massachusetts.	7/24/34	None
1408	Paul Stupp & Wife, Springfield, Ohio.	7/27/34	None
1408	Mr. & Mrs. A.J. Turney, Chicago, Ill.	4/21/34	None
1408	Ralph E. Hays, Detroit, Michigan.	4/15/34	None
1116	Lonnie Davidson & Wife	8/7/34	None
1116	J.C. Pottage, No address given.	7/24/34	None
1116	Mr. & Mrs. G.F. Barnes, Cary, Indiana.	4/21/34	None
1116	H. B. Hazelton, St. Louis, Mo.	4/13/34	None
1116	Mr. & Mrs. R. M. Phillips, Cleveland, Ohio.	4/13/34	None
1116	Mr. & Mrs. Lee Moore, Danville (state not given)	4/10/34	None

None of the above guests are known to the hotel. Following are guests who are known to the hotel as regular customers, and whom Mr. Milam vouches for:

1116	E. C. Houston, Atlanta, Georgia.	7/23/34
1116	T. O. Morton, Campbellsville, Ky.	8/6/34

1408	H. J. Robertson, Paducah, Kentucky.	4/18/34
1116	Gene Reynolds, Detroit, Michigan.	4/23/34.

Photographs of the subjects of this case and their associates were exhibited to Mr. Milam and to various employees of the hotel, but no identifications could be made.

As indicated, the above represents but a small percentage of the guests occupying the two rooms for the period of six months prior to September, 1934. All the names of subjects and known aliases were searched through current records of the hotel under direction of Mr. Milam, and he advised that their records fail to indicate any of them as present or former guests.

- PENDING -

# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA.

FILE NO. 7-576

REPORT MADE AT: Salt Lake City, Utah.	DATE WHEN MADE: 1-15-35.	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1-8-35.	REPORT MADE BY: C.E. WEEKS - G.J.
TITLE: ALVIN KAREIS with aliases, I.O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. 1219; RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases, I.O. 1213; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: William Wever, said to have been seen in Las Vegas, Nevada, about two months ago in Las Vegas Club. Arrangements made that this office be notified in the event of future appearance.			
DETAILS: While conducting investigation at Las Vegas, Nevada, agent was advised by Deputy Sheriff Homer Grove, who has previously identified the photograph of Harry Sawyer as having resided at Las Vegas, Nevada, under the name of Frank Jones, as reported in report of Special Agent in Charge John A. Dowd, Salt Lake City, Utah, 12-3-34, that the photograph of William Wever appears somewhat familiar to him; that he could not place where he has seen it, although he is quite sure he has seen this man in Las Vegas. G.A. Nash, who is employed as a guard of the payroll at the Boulder City Construction project, Six Companies, upon viewing the photograph of William Wever stated that he is positive that he has seen this individual at the Faro Bank in the Las Vegas Club, approximately six weeks ago. Ray Mann, who is also employed as a Guard of the Six Companies payroll and as a Special Deputy Sheriff on occasions, stated that the picture looks familiar to him, but that he cannot positively identify it.			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>John A. Dowd</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-2731	RECORDED AND INDEXED: JAN 19 1935
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Mr. B.M. McDonald, General Delivery Clerk, Las Vegas, Nevada, was unable to identify this photograph with that of anyone he had ever seen.

Inquiry was made among the more prominent hotels and this picture was not identified by anyone else.

The picture of William Wever was furnished to G.A. Nash, who will retain the picture in his own possession, and maintain a sharp lookout for Wever in Las Vegas. In the event he appears, Mr. Nash will shadow him to ascertain the number of his automobile, to determine who his associates are and to determine where he is staying in Las Vegas; and he will telephone the Salt Lake City office immediately upon this man's appearance. In the event it appears that Wever is not staying in Las Vegas, he will make appropriate arrangements with the Sheriff's Office to have him apprehended. Mr. Nash was at one time Criminal Investigator for the District Attorney's Office at Riverside, California, and is regarded as very reliable and a competent individual to carry out the instructions given him in accordance with the above procedure. Further, he is in a position to observe individuals coming to Las Vegas for the purpose of gambling or of hide out. His address is 212 West 4th Street, Las Vegas, Nevada, and he can be contacted by mail through General Delivery, and he can also be contacted through the Sheriff's Office in Las Vegas.

b7D [redacted] who resides at [redacted] and who can be contacted through the Sheriff's Office, Las Vegas, is regarded as a very sensible and able informant of this office, and he also will be on the lookout for this individual.

While at Beatty, Nevada, on other business, and in the matter concerning Monte Montier, better known as "Speck" proprietor of the Golden Ace Saloon, agent ascertained from Speck that he lived until 1926 in St. Paul, Minn., and that he was well acquainted with members of the underworld there. He stated that he is acquainted with Harry Sawyer, but he claimed not to know that Harry Sawyer had spent considerable time during the past summer in Las Vegas, Nevada, which is 120 miles from Beatty. Speck also advised, upon viewing Subjects of this case photographs, that he is acquainted with Edna Murray. He was questioned concerning them discreetly, and he claimed to know nothing of their activities during recent years, and he was not advised of the reason why they were wanted by this Division.

[redacted] Confidential informant, Salt Lake City office, at Beatty, Nevada, advised that all the pictures of the Subject in this case are unfamiliar to him, and he has seen none of them around the Golden Ace Saloon.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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January 17, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

10:55 A.M.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman.....
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
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Mr. Egan.....
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Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

I called Mr. Ladd in connection with the Bremer case, to advise that you thought we should get waivers of removal from Elmer Farmer and Monte Carter so that, if necessary, we can remove them to St. Paul. I asked Ladd whether Barker knew that his mother and brother were dead, and he said he thought not. I advised him that they should tell him and try to get a waiver of removal. He said that Larson had gotten a regular Division waiver from Detroit and it covers anywhere, so we can take him to St. Paul any time, and there was not any difficulty at all in getting him to sign it. I asked Mr. Ladd whether he thought we should remove him to St. Paul and he said he thought we should, in view of the fact that the papers are publishing stories to the effect that he is in custody. Mr. Ladd stated he did not think there would be any trouble at all about moving Carter and Farmer to St. Paul. Mr. Ladd stated there were no arrangements for holding these individuals in the St. Paul Office and it would probably be better to get an apartment there. I advised that I would let him know relative to moving Barker and the others to St. Paul.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building,  
Kansas City, Missouri.  
January 17, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, IO #1218  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, IO #1219  
RUSSELL GIBSON, IO #1215  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, IO 1232,  
ET AL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
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There are being transmitted herewith the following

photographs:

Walter Gray, alias Clark Gray  
Clarence R. Walker  
Benjamin T. Gates.

These photographs were forwarded to this office with your letter of December 19, 1934, relative to a possible connection these men might have had with a bankrobbery reported to have occurred recently in Missouri and possibly near St. Joseph. You will recall that it was also pointed out in the above letter that Myrtle Eaton was thought to be associating with one Ollie Sheridan, who during the summer of 1934 married Gray, who in turn later met his death in the above mentioned robbery. Inquiries were made by this office at the Kansas City, Missouri, and the Kansas City, Kansas, Police Departments, as well as the Kansas City office of the Wm. J. Burns Detective Agency. In the first two instances, the search of the files revealed no information concerning these men, nor were there any facts forthcoming relative to a bankrobbery in Missouri during which the above mentioned Walter Gray was killed; it was likewise impossible to determine whether or not Walker and Gates were associates of the latter. In like manner, the files of the Wm. J. Burns Detective Agency revealed no information concerning any of these men, nor could they advise this office of any recent bankrobbery in Missouri in which any of the participants had been killed.

2.

On 1-11-35, the records of the St. Joseph, Missouri, Police Department at St. Joseph were examined, and it was ascertained there that Walter Gray, St. Joseph Police Department No. 1832, had a record on file dating as far back as 11-15-1913. A review of the same with particular emphasis being placed upon his physical description and peculiar characteristics made it apparent that this person is identical with the one whose photograph was sent to this office as stated above. However, it will be noted that the fingerprint classification obtained from the St. Joseph, Missouri, Police Department is

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while that contained on the reverse side of the photograph sent to this office is

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The aliases of this man contained in the records of the St. Joseph, Missouri, Police Department, are as follows:

GEORGE SMITH  
EDWARD HILL  
JOE WALLACE  
WILLIAM V. CASEY  
WALTER CASEY  
WALLACE CASEY  
WILLIAM ALLEN  
FRANK MARTIN  
BIG WALLIE  
JAMES RYAN  
LEO WALLACE.

Inquiries of the above bureau further developed the fact that the criminal record of Gray had been sent by the Division to the Sheriff's office at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, under date of 2-6-29, a copy of which had been forwarded to the St. Joseph, Mo., Police Department. Furthermore, there was also a reward notice of \$50.00 in the files of the St. Joseph, Mo., Police Department, which had been posted by the Sheriff's office of Polk County, Osceola, Nebraska, offered for the return of Walter Gray, with aliases, for escape from the Polk County Jail.

8.

As regards recent bank robberies in the vicinity of St. Joseph, however, Mr. W. W. Davis and Mr. B. T. Andrews, who are in charge of the records of that Bureau, stated that no one had been killed in recent offenses of that nature, adding that the only fatality of that kind which had been brought to their notice was the one following the robbery of a bank sometime last November at Kinney, Nebraska. On that occasion, a man by the name of Brodell was killed. It is thought in this connection that Brodell is identical with Earl Keeling, who met his death following participation in a recent bank robbery at Kinney, Nebraska.

Apart from the above information obtained from the St. Joseph, Missouri, Police Department, no further facts relative to any of the individuals whose photographs were transmitted to this office is available; accordingly, they are being returned herewith.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. Connelley - Chicago.

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January 17, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR UNIT FOUR  
EQUIPMENT SECTION

Transmitted herewith is a memorandum containing  
data for Apprehension Order No. 329 on Arthur R. Barker,  
with aliases, Identification Order No. 1219.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

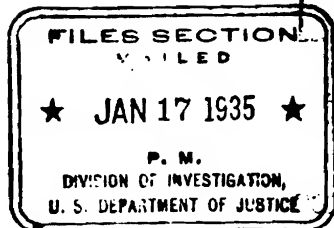
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WASHINGTON, D. C.

January 17, 1935.

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APPREHENSION ORDER  
NO. 1219-329

Dear Sir:

IN RE: ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases,  
DOCK BARKER, BOB BARKER, CLAUD  
DALE.

Identification Order No. 1219 on the above named  
subject is hereby cancelled, inasmuch as he was taken into  
custody at Chicago, Illinois, on January 8, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,

Director.

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Washington, D. C. 1:00 P.M.

January 17, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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Mr. Nathan.....  
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Chief Clerk.....  
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Mr. Schilder.....  
Mr. Tamm.....  
Mr. Tracy.....  
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Alt called from Jacksonville, and in Mr. Tamm's absence, I received the call. He stated he had just received a telephone call from Mr. Connelley at Ocala, requesting that the United States Attorney go to Ocala immediately, or send one of his assistants, because of the fact that it is desired that the United States Attorney arrange to take possession of the house, personal property, money and the car belonging to Kate and Fred Barker. Alt stated that according to the Florida law, the Coroner should take possession of this property; that while the County Judge is willing to turn the property over to Connelley, he desires to protect himself against a suit. Mr. Alt stated he had made arrangements with the United States Attorney, who is sending two Assistants to Ocala, immediately. Mr. Connelley had suggested that if the United States Attorney did not "fall in line" with the suggestion, it be suggested to him that he call the Attorney General. This may be done - therefore, Mr. Alt wanted the Division to be advised of the possibility thereof. It is believed the Assistants will reach Ocala in about three hours.

Respectfully,

*G. N. Lowdon*

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January 16, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 2:30 PM

*Bremer case*

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
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Chief Clerk.....
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Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
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Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
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Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Alt telephoned and stated that Agent LaCour was proceeding to Jacksonville to meet SAC Stapleton and accompany him back to Ocala in order that the agents there might be furnished some relief in maintaining a surveillance in that vicinity.

Mr. Alt further advised that the coroners jury had adjourned until 11:00 AM tomorrow without making a return.

In the house, according to Mr. Alt, various articles were found, among which were two "Tommy" guns, three 30.30 rifles, a .351 gun, a shotgun and plenty of ammunition, and on Fred Barker were four \$1,000 bills.

I instructed Mr. Alt to tell Mr. Connelley / he should proceed to Miami after the proceedings relative to the inquest are over and that upon SAC Hanson's arrival in Jacksonville, he should proceed immediately to Miami and join Mr. Connelley there.

Time 3:00 PM

I telephoned Mr. Ladd and advised him that you did not want the Chicago office to give out any information or interviews with newspaper representatives relative to the Barker case. Mr. Ladd stated that he was not giving out anything; that the Chicago American had called him today and during the course of the conversation with him, they had asked him when he was going to release the story on Arthur Barker, to which Mr. Ladd replied that he did not have any story to release.

Time 4:30 PM

I telephoned Mr. Ladd and advised him that you wished him to have Mr. Connelley remain there until the coroner's hearing was completed.

Time 5:05 PM

I telephoned Mr. Ladd and advised him that you wanted to get indictments immediately against the members of the Barker gang who were still free and also against "Doc" Barker; that I thought it would be advisable to

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Telephone call relative to the Bremer  
case 1/16/35

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have some agent who was entirely familiar with the Bremer case go up to Saint Paul and go over the whole case with the United States Attorney there so that he could take immediate steps to have the indictment returned. Mr. Ladd stated that he believed that Agent McIntire was familiar with the case and that he would send him to St. Paul tonight; that Agent Brown, who has been supervising the case, is in Florida. I instructed Mr. Ladd to call the St. Paul office and make an appointment with the U.S. Attorney tomorrow morning so that Agent McIntire could see him then.

Time 6:15 PM

I telephoned Mr. Ladd and advised him that you believed that it would be advisable to bring "Doc" Barker back to Chicago in view of the fact that we would have to bring him into court because of the newspaper <sup>stories</sup> concerning him. I inquired if he thought it would be best to have Mr. Larson's men bring him in, and Mr. Ladd stated that he considered this to be the best plan as his men were down in Indiana and were delayed in getting back to the office by a sleet storm.

I stated that I considered it advisable to get a complaint sworn out against Barker but that I thought it best to hold him at the Chicago office until it was seen what further developments would take place.

Time 6:25 PM

I telephoned Mr. Larson and advised him that it was your wish to have Barker taken back to Chicago tonight. Mr. Larson stated that he would do this and I suggested that he take two cars of agents and transport him back in the same manner that he had been brought to Detroit; that, of course, to take every precaution to see that he did not escape.

b7D  
I further instructed Mr. Larson to maintain close contact with his informants in Toledo and Cleveland and other cities where the Karpis gang might run into, in view of the fact that they are probably on the run. Mr. Larson advised that he had talked with Mr. Hall today at Toledo and that the angle over there looked pretty good; that the man named Fitzgerald is in Toledo and that the Karpis outfit usually contact him and that an informant named [REDACTED] will keep Mr. Larson advised of any developments along that line.

Respectfully,



E.A. Tamm

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 16, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 9:30 PM

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman..
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
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Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Larson telephoned from Detroit, Michigan, and advised that the weather conditions were so bad that it would be almost impossible to move Barker to Chicago by auto; that because of the weather there were, of course, no planes operating.

I accordingly instructed him to obtain a drawing room in a train leaving Detroit for Chicago tonight and to make certain that Barker was properly shackled with leg irons and handcuffs so that he could not attempt an escape or suicide.

Mr. Larson stated that they would leave Detroit at 1:10 AM and would arrive in Chicago about 6:30 AM

Respectfully,

E.A. Tamm

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Los Angeles, California

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JAN 21 1935  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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Dear Sir:

re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.  
#1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases,  
I.O. #1219; RUSSELL GIBSON, with  
aliases, I. O. #1213; DR. JOSEPH P.  
MORAN, with aliases, I.O.#1232; et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

As a result of efforts by the St. Louis Office to locate  
Willie Harrison who is wanted for questioning in this case, tracing  
has been received addressed to Mr. Elmer Harrison,  
1128 S. Kanmore Ave., Los Angeles, California. Tracing  
has been received of a letter addressed to Mr. Elmer  
Harrison, 1115 Lawn Ave., St. Louis, Missouri bearing the same  
address, both letters being postmarked at Los Angeles, California,  
January 18, 1935.

Elmer Harrison is a brother of Willie Harrison and Mrs.  
Donald Harrison is the latter's sister-in-law. It is understood that  
Donald Harrison married a girl whose parents are now residing in  
Beverly Hills, Los Angeles, California, their name being unknown to  
the St. Louis Office.

It has been further ascertained that sometime during the  
past summer, Willie Harrison was in Los Angeles, California visiting  
the parents and relatives of Mrs. Donald Harrison. It may be that  
J. R. Schafer is the father of Mrs. Donald Harrison.

Please conduct a discreet investigation for the purpose  
of ascertaining if Willie Harrison or other members of the Karpis  
Gang are at 1128 S. Kanmore Ave., Los Angeles, California.  
The identity of Mr. J. R. Schafer should be established and if it  
can be done without arousing suspicion, he should be contacted for  
the purpose of ascertaining whether or not Willie Harrison is in  
Los Angeles or California at this time.

For your information, I am transmitting a photograph of Willie Harrison, as it is not known whether your office possesses one, at this time. Kindly return the photograph to the St. Louis Office when it has served your purpose.

Very truly yours,

R. E. VATTERLI,  
Special Agent in Charge.

RLS:F  
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cc Division  
St. Paul  
Kansas City  
Chicago (E. J. Connelley)

P.O.Box 515, St.Paul, Minn.

January 18, 1935.

Mr. E.J. Connelley,  
Special Agent in Charge,  
Special Assignment,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
P.O.Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
JAN 21 1935 A.M.  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O.#1232,  
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.  
KIDNAPING. St. Paul File No. 7-30

After ARTHUR R. BARKER was brought to St. Paul on January 17, 1935, he was searched by Special Agent S.W. Hardy at which time a leather key case containing four keys was found in his coat pocket. This case and keys are being forwarded to the Chicago Office herewith.

ARTHUR R. BARKER states that key #1, which is Burd Key #FC836, is to a black 1935 Model Ford Sedan, which he procures is now in possession of the Chicago Division Office, stating that he loaned this car to RUSSELL GIBSON alias "SLIP" GRAY at BARKER'S Surf Street Home in Chicago, and the same afternoon that ARTHUR BARKER was apprehended by Division Agents. That this car was bought by RUSSELL GIBSON and WILLIAM HARRISON for him, ARTHUR BARKER, under the fictitious name of J.B. BOLTON, from some Ford dealer in Chicago, now, in either September, or October, 1934.

Regarding key #2, which is a brass key of the Independent Lock Company, #1001-LB, with the letter "C" stamped on the reverse side, ARTHUR BARKER states this key is either to his apartment on Surf Street in Chicago, where he was arrested, or else an apartment he had at 73rd and South Shore Drive in Chicago during 1934; that the latter referred to apartment house had no name on it but he describes it as being on the northeast corner of 73rd and South Shore Drive and states that this apartment was on the first floor and was rented by his mother in the name of F. J. ANDERSON.

Regarding key #3, which is a brass key of the Eagle Lock Company, #56K11, BARKER states that this is a trunk key to his trunk which he gave to WILLIAM HARRISON about July or August, 1934, while he was living at 73rd and South Shore Drive in Chicago, Illinois.

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Regarding key #4, which is a key of the Corbin Lock Company, #82, BARKER states that he is not certain but believes this is a key to a handbag or grip which may still be at his Surt Street address in Chicago, in the event it has not already been taken for examination by officers.

Very truly yours,

D.M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

January 17, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
P. O. Box 829,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. 1219;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.  
1232; ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
Kidnaping  
St. Paul File 7-30.

Dear Sir:

Confirming my telephonic conversation during the day, this is to advise that on January 17, 1935, Special Agents K. R. McIntire and R. C. Coulter conferred with United States Attorney George F. Sullivan and Assistant United States Attorney George A. Heisey, regarding captioned case, and it was agreed by Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Heisey that it would be impossible to convene a grand jury before January 21, 1935; however, a jury will be summoned on that date for the purpose of hearing the evidence in captioned case.

In the above connection, Mr. Sullivan called at the office during the evening of January 17, 1935, with the below listed subpoenas, and requested that they be served by the Agents in the Chicago office, since it would in all probability be impossible to cause them to be served in the regular way:

James Wilson  
c/o Div. of Investigation,  
Chicago, Illinois.

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William H. Bleschke,  
Ass't Cashier,  
Lakeview Trust & Savings Bank,  
320 North Ashland Blvd.,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Inasmuch as the Division is anxious to cause  
indictments to be returned at the earliest possible time,  
I agreed to this, and under the circumstances I hope you will  
see fit to comply with the request of the United States Attorney.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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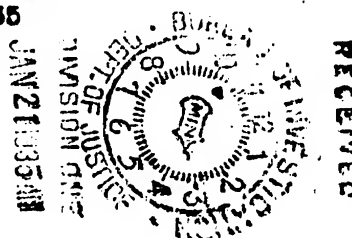
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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

St Paul Minnesota  
January 18, 1935

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P. O. Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

January 18, 1935.

Hon. George F. Sullivan,  
United States Attorney,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O.  
1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with  
aliases, I. O. 1219; RUSSELL  
GIBSON, with aliases, I. O. 1213;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases,  
I. O. 1232; et al. EDWARD GEORGE  
BREMER - Victim. KIDNAPING.  
St. Paul file No. 7-30.

In connection with the above entitled case, I am  
attaching hereto one copy of each of the following statements:

Statement by Herman C. Baucke dated 1-14-35 at Chicago.  
Statement by Edward Reid Moschel dated 1-16-35 at Chicago.  
Statement by Elmer Farmer dated 1-16-35 at Chicago.  
Statement by Mrs. Edward Reid Moschel dated 1-16-35 at  
Chicago.  
Statement by Clara Gibson dated 1-13-35 at Chicago.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 812  
Chicago Illinois

January 19, 1935

Special Agent in Charge  
St. Paul, Minnesota

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,  
I.O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER  
with aliases, I.O. 1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON with  
aliases, I.O. 1213;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with  
aliases, I.O. 1232, et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -  
Victim - KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith original copy  
of subpoena which was served on James Wilson on  
January 18, 1935, for his appearance at the Federal  
Courts Building in St. Paul on January 21, 1935.

Very truly yours,

E.J. CONNELLEY  
Special Agent in Charge  
Special Assignment

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Post Office Box 812  
Chicago Illinois

January 19, 1935

Special Agent in Charge  
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I.O. 1218, et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING

On January 17, 1935 Special Agent R. C. Suran removed from the upper southwest corner of the bedroom in which Victim Bremer was kept, a portion of the wall paper showing the complete design of same. Special Agent B. E. Hirsch was present at the time this portion of wall paper was removed and it has been appropriately marked by both Special Agents Hirsch and Suran.

This specimen of wall paper was given to Special Agent J. E. Brennan on January 19, 1935 at which time he was instructed to deliver same to the St. Paul Office for use as evidence in connection with the prosecution of this matter.

Agent Brennan was also furnished a complete set of photographs of the interior of this house.

Very truly yours,

W. H. PURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge

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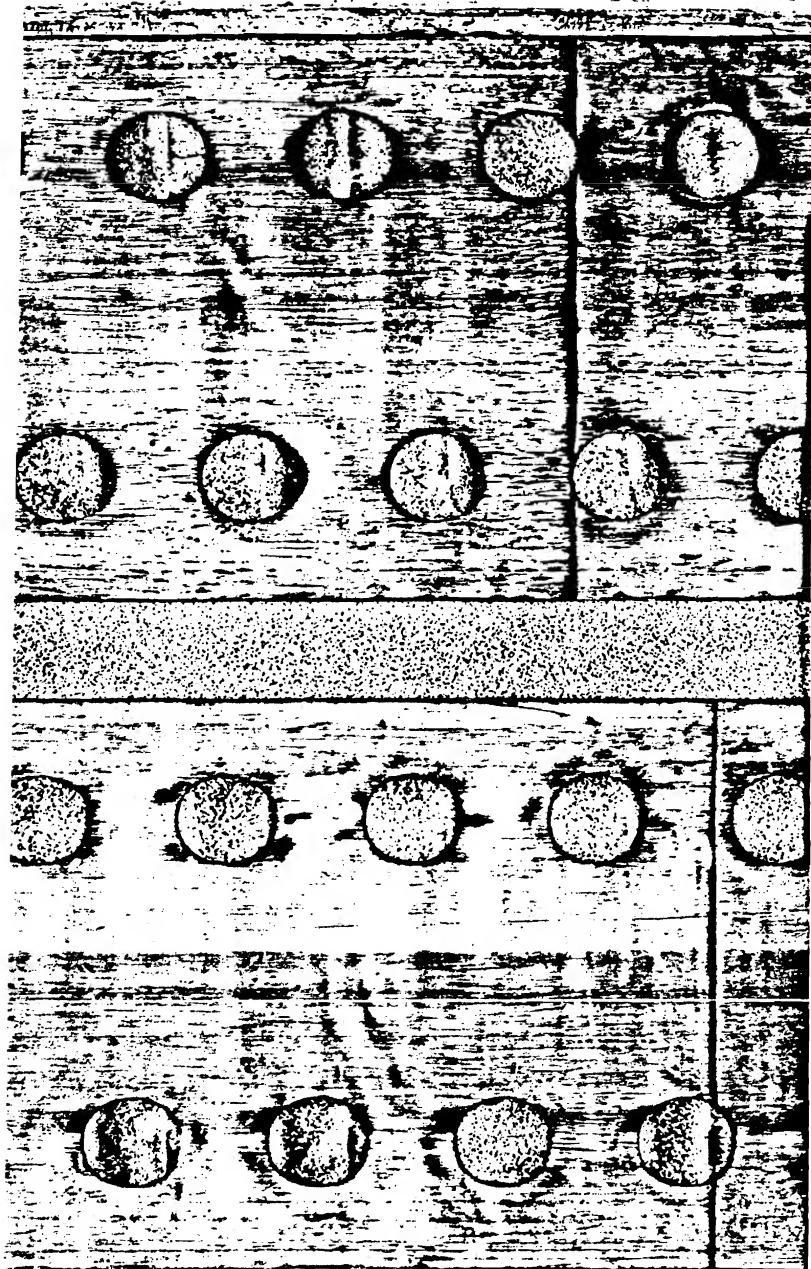
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From Laboratory and  
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Date 1/25 1935.

To: ☐ Mr. Edwards  
☐ Mr. Appel  
☐ Mr. Blackburn  
☐ Mr. Burling  
☐ Mr. Conrad  
☐ Mr. Donaldson  
☐ Mr. Hardison  
☐ Mr. McSwain  
☐ Mr. Parsons  
☐ Mr. Pickering  
☐ Mr. Renneberger  
☐ Mr. Schilder  
☐ Chief, Unit  
☒ Chief Clerk  
☐ Files  
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☐ Mr.

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*E. P. Coffey*  
E. P. Coffey.

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box #812

Chicago, Illinois

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January 15, 1935

Director  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. 1213;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232, ET AL  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM  
KIDNAPING  
Chicago File #7-82

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting under separate cover three Browning Automatic Rifles recovered on January 8, 1935, from the apartment occupied by Russell Gibson and one Thompson submachine gun recovered from the apartment occupied by Arthur "Doc" Barker. It will be noted that the serial numbers on all of these guns have been removed. It is, therefore, desired that these guns be given the usual laboratory tests in order that their origin may be traced.

These guns have already been processed for latent fingerprints, photographs and lifts of which are being transmitted under separate cover. The remainder of the guns recovered at the above apartments on January 8th are being retained at the Chicago Division Office pending further developments in this case.

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Kindly submit to me the laboratory report on the above guns at the earliest possible time.

There is attached hereto a bill of lading for the above shipment.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley  
E. J. CONNELLEY *pro*  
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 812,  
Chicago, Illinois.

January 19, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I.O.#1218, et al,  
Edward George Bremer - Victim,  
Kidnaping. File 7-82

Among the numerous guns found on the occasion of the raid at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, on the apartment of "Slim" Gray, there were found the following firearms which were traced by the New York Division Office to the following concerns. It is respectfully requested that each of the Division offices receiving a copy of this letter immediately conduct appropriate inquiry at the concerns named in their districts for the purpose of ascertaining, if possible, the identity of the purchasers of these various guns.

Colt automatic .32 calibre, #304822, was sold to Barker Jennings Hardware Company, Lynchburg, Virginia, on August 22, 1929.

Colt automatic pistol, calibre .380, #115483, was sold to Jenny Semple Hill & Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota, July 18, 1933. The St. Paul office has previously been requested telephonically to trace this gun.

.38 calibre Police Special revolver #273652, was shipped to Cline, Cline & Company, Los Angeles, California, December 29, 1922.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Division  
cc St. Paul  
cc Los Angeles

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
-DIRECTOR

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## Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

January 17, 1935

11:20 A. M.

### MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman..
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Pursuant to your instructions, I telephoned Special Agent K. R. McIntire, presently at the St. Paul Office, for the purpose of assisting in the preparation of a new indictment in the Bremer Kidnaping Case. I instructed him to have included in the indictment the names of the following individuals:

Fred Barker  
Arthur R. Barker  
Kate Barker  
Alvin Karpis  
Volney Davis  
Harry Campbell  
William Weaver  
Jess Doyle  
Edna Murray  
Myrtle Eaton  
Harry Sawyer  
Joseph P. Moran  
George Zeigler alias Fred Goetz  
Byron Bolton alias Monte Carter  
Elmer Farmer  
Harold Allerton  
J. J. McLaughlin, Sr.  
William E. Vidler  
Philip J. Delaney  
Russell Gibson alias "Slim"  
Oliver A. Berg alias "Izzy"  
Willie Harrison

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I inquired of Mr. McIntire whether investigation in the Chicago Office had disclosed the names of any additional individuals who should be included in the new indictment. He stated that he did not have the list before him but that he recalled the name of James Wilson as being considered as one of the defendants, inasmuch as Wilson had furnished a lengthy signed statement, and, therefore, in order to hold him to this statement, it is their intention to include his name in the indictment.

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Mr. McIntire also advised me that he obtained an eighteen page signed statement from Elmer Farmer, implicating himself, in that he received \$1,000. for his part in the kidnaping, and setting out that on the second day after Bremer's arrival at the hideout, he was advised by Allerton that Bremer was being held in the back room. It was also Farmer's duty to seek information relative to any investigations being made at the time Bremer was being held. Farmer includes in his statement the fact that he observed at the hideout Fred Barker, Arthur Barker, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, William Weaver, George Zeigler and Byron Bolton. He cannot identify Volney Davis as being present at the hideout, although he has since become acquainted with Davis who is known to him as "Cotton". Mr. McIntire advised that a copy of the statement obtained from Farmer would, no doubt, reach Washington some time this morning.

Mr. McIntire also advised that at the time he received my 'phone call he was on his way to the United States Attorney's Office, and that after conferring with the United States Attorney, he will again call the Division, advising of the results of the conference.

Respectfully,

*R. E. Newby*  
R. E. Newby.

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT St. Paul, Minnesota

St. Louis file no. 7-43

REPORT MADE AT: St. Louis, Mo.	DATE WHEN MADE: 1-18-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 12-1-34 to 1-15-35	REPORT MADE BY: W. L. BUCHANAN WLB:F
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219; RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. #1213; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. #1232; et al. - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Agent living under cover with George Daskalos family at 4541 Gibson Ave., St. Louis, Mo. which is located next door to 4539 Gibson Ave., which is the home of Willie Harrison, who is wanted in this case. Agent has had several conversations with Walter and Elmer Harrison, brothers of Willie and also with Mr. W. J. Harrison, father of Willie. Agent has contacted Micky McCard who is caddy master for Harrison brothers, Walter Elmer and Donald at Algonquin Country Club, St. Louis, Mo. Daskalos family are very close friends of the Harrison family and visit quite often in their home. Agent has also contacted A. A. Ruddick a roomer at Daskalos home who has met Willie Harrison.</p> <p>P.</p> <p>DETAILS: Investigation previously conducted by agents of this Division reveal Mr. W. J. Harrison, who lives at 4539 Gibson Ave., St. Louis, Missouri, has a son whose name is William J. Harrison, who is supposed to be living in Chicago, Illinois and has been reported a companion of Mrs. Kate Barker, a subject in the above entitled case. In addition to the above information, it has also been ascertained that this son Willie has recently made several visits to his parents' home in St. Louis. In view of the above circumstance, this agent was instructed on November 18, 1934 to secure a room in the neighborhood as close as possible to the Harrison home for the purpose of securing information as to Willie Harrison's whereabouts or any visits he might pay his parents in the near future.</p>			
DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES:			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>W. E. Dettler</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-3844		RECORDED AND INDEXED: JAN 21 1935
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Agent secured a room at 4541 Gibson Ave., the same being next door to the Harrison home. This place is occupied and owned by one George Daskalos, a Greek, who is partly paralyzed, and lives with his wife and small son. In addition to Daskalos family agent ascertained that there were three other roomers living at this address; that one of these roomers whose first name is George, age about 20, is now working as caddy at the Algonquin Country Club near St. Louis; that Willie Harrison has three brothers, Elmer, Donald and Walter who are golf professionals and are also the proprietors of the supply store at this club. Agent deemed it advisable to tell the Daskalos family that he was a ranger from Texas and had recently sold some cattle, and was intending to remain in St. Louis for a few weeks' visit. Inasmuch as agent is acquainted with Texas and had his own automobile bearing Texas license plates, it was deemed appropriate to use the above plan in this investigation. The first few days was spent in attempting to gain the friendship of the Daskalos family.

On December 3, 1934 agent had general conversation with Mr. Ruddick who mentioned knowing Willie Harrison; that he had met him on the porch of Daskalos' home during the summer; that he seemed to be a sport or a gambler but did not know of his own knowledge, what business he was in.

On December 4, 1934, agent had lunch with Daskalos' family. Mrs. Daskalos mentioned that Mr. Harrison was subject to fainting spells and his doctor had ordered him not to leave home alone; that he had low blood pressure and might drop dead at any time.

On December 5, 1934 while in general conversation with George, the caddy boy, who rooms with Daskalos' family, George stated that he was sure Willie Harrison would visit his parents' during the Christmas holidays; that he was well acquainted with Willie and that Willie had asked him to visit him if he would ever come to Chicago. At this point of the conversation, agent expressed his desire to visit Chicago and would like to have someone who was acquainted with Chicago, show him around while there. George further stated he would like to accompany agent on this trip for a few days but that he did not think he could get off from his work but would try and secure Willie's address from his brother Elmer and give it to agent if he was unable to get off. At this time agent stated his desire to visit Chicago while the weather was good but deemed it inadvisable to press George in getting Willie's address, as George questioned agent very closely as to what business he was in and how long he intended to visit in St. Louis.

On December 6, 1934 while driving through Forest Park, St. Louis, Missouri with George the caddy boy, agent mentioned again his desire to visit Chicago and George stated he would get Willie's address

as soon as possible and give same to agent. On arriving home at 4541 Gibson Ave., agent met Mr. William Harrison, Sr. who was walking from Kingshighway St. car line to his home at 4539 Gibson Ave. George introduced Mr. Harrison to agent. At this time, George asked Mr. Harrison for Willie's address at Chicago and Mr. Harrison stated he did not know his address; that Willie ran around all over the country; one time he would hear from him in Havana and the next, somewhere else, but he would get his address as soon as he heard from him and give it to agent; that Willie was well acquainted with Chicago and he was sure Willie would be glad to show this agent around in Chicago.

At this time, Mr. Harrison excused himself, stating he had told his wife he was going around the block for a walk but had been downtown at Union Station instead; that he had fainting spells and his wife would "raise Cain" with him if she found out he had been downtown. He further stated that his family treated him as if he were a small child; that he had four boys and he was in as good physical condition as any of them. It should be noted, at this time, that Mr. Harrison is 83 years old.

On December 7, 1934 while in general conversation with the Daskalos family during the afternoon, Mr. Harrison came in and stated during his visit that he was the father of five boys, one deceased and four living; that three of his sons lived in St. Louis, Walter and Elmer living with him and Donald living with his wife a few blocks away, and that Willie was supposed to live in Chicago but did not stay there much of the time; that he traveled all over the world; that he had heard from him once during the summer in Havana and another time in Florida; that he did not know what kind of business Willie was in, but seemed to make a good living and lots of money. Mr. Harrison further stated that Willie usually visited him on July 4 and Christmas and that he was sure he would come home during the Christmas holidays; that he did not have any idea where Willie was at the present time but would probably hear from him in the near future. Mr. Harrison further stated he would like to show agent around St. Louis as he had lived here eighty years and had watched the city grow from a small village to its present size; that as soon as the snow melted, he would be glad to show agent the places of interest.

On December 18, 1934 while in general conversation with the Daskalos family and while standing on the porch about 9:30 P.M. Elmer Harrison arrived home, walking. Daskalos invited him to come over and have a drink. A few minutes later, Elmer arrived and rang the doorbell at the Daskalos home. Agent was introduced to him. While in general conversation with Daskalos, Ruddick, Mrs. Daskalos and Elmer, Daskalos asked Elmer if Willie was coming home for Christmas. Elmer stated that he did not know whether Willie was coming

home or not; that he did not know where he was at this time and the family had not heard from him lately; that he might "blow in" at any time; that he usually came home some time during the Christmas holidays. During this conversation, Elmer asked agent what business he was in and how long he intended staying in St. Louis, and if he could play golf, and on being informed that agent did not know how to play golf, Elmer offered to instruct agent as soon as the weather would permit. Elmer further stated that he usually took a trip to California every year, leaving St. Louis the day after Christmas; that the family tried to be together on Christmas day; that he did not know whether he would go this year or not. About 1:00 A.M. Elmer stated he was going home, that he needed a little sleep and would have to get up early and go to the club, but would come back during the following afternoon and bring Daskalos a drink if he wanted it; that he had bought a large supply of whiskey for Christmas.

On December 20, 1934 while in general conversation with Mr. Harrison who was visiting the Daskalos family, Mr. Harrison stated that they were going to have a Christmas dinner and that they were expecting Willie home most any day; that Willie was a good sport and he was very anxious for agent to meet him; that if agent still wanted to visit Chicago, he would try to have Willie accompany him on this trip; that he was sure Willie would be glad to do this. Mr. Harrison further stated that he wanted to show agent Shaw's Garden (a botanical garden in St. Louis) as soon as the weather would permit.

On December 21, 1934 while in conversation with Daskalos family, Walter Harrison came in for a visit. Daskalos asked Walter if they were expecting Willie home for Christmas and stated that they were expecting him most any day; that they had not heard from him but he always came home on Christmas; that sometimes he would just drop in unexpectedly without writing or wiring.

On December 24 Elmer Harrison visited with the Daskalos family. While in general conversation, Daskalos asked Elmer if they had heard from Willie and if he knew whether or not he was coming for Christmas. Elmer stated that they had not heard from Willie but was sure he would come home; that Willie thought too much of his mother not to come home. At this time, Elmer stated he was going to a party and would have to leave, and regretted it very much stating he would like to show agent a good time; that he would give a party for agent during the holidays.

On December 28, 1934 Mr. Harrison accompanied agent on a four-hour ride through the city. While in general conversation, Mr. Harrison stated that they had received a package from Willie who was in Chicago at this time but would be home in the next few days; that Willie always came home for Christmas. While driving, Mr. Harrison

remarked that agent was a good driver; that two of his sons Walter and Willie were very good drivers especially Willie; that Willie drove a rich elderly lady from Chicago to Kansas City during the summer and stopped by home for a few hours. It should be noted that this woman is thought to have been Kate Barker a subject in this case.

On December 31, 1934 Daskalos' family gave a New Year's Dinner for agent and the Harrison boys. Elmer and Walter Harrison were present and a place was set for Willie as he was expected home most any time. While in general conversation with Walter, he stated he was sure Willie would come home during the night or next day. Walter further stated that he had rooms 506 and 508 rented at Claridge Hotel, 18th and Locust St., St. Louis, Missouri and invited agent to come up during the night; that he had invited several of his friends to come up and wanted agent to meet them; that if Willie arrived during the night, he would also be there. Agent proceeded to rooms 506 and 508 and met several young couples who were attending a New year's eve party and dance given by the hotel. Agent stayed around the hotel until 3:00 A.M. with the rest of the party until it broke up, but Willie never appeared.

On January 1, 1935 agent had a conversation with Mr. Harrison who wished agent a happy New Year; that he was very anxious for agent to meet Willie before he departed for Texas; that they had been expecting Willie home all during the holidays and did not know why he failed to come but was sure they would hear from him in the next few days either by wire or letter.

On January 6, 1935 while in conversation with the Daskalos family, agent remarked that he was going to Chicago in the next few days. Mrs. Daskalos stated she would go next door and see Mrs. Harrison, mother of Willie Harrison, and secure his address, as agent might call on him while in Chicago. At this time, Mrs. Daskalos left to see Mrs. Harrison. About thirty minutes later, she returned stating that Mrs. Harrison informed her she did not know Willie's address; that she tried to locate him several days ago, as his insurance was about to lapse and she wanted to notify him about it, but was unable to locate him; that they had been expecting him home all during the holidays and now as he had failed to come, she was of the opinion he was in some other part of the country but could not understand why he had not communicated with her; that if she should receive word from him, she would be glad to give agent his address.

On January 8, 1935 Mr. Harrison visited agent at the Daskalos home during the afternoon. While in general conversation, Mr. Harrison stated they had not heard a word from Willie; that he and

Mrs. Harrison were worried about him; that he was very fond of his mother and always remembered her on Christmas by sending flowers but this was the first time he had failed to come home Christmas; that if agent would delay his trip to Chicago a few days, he was sure they would hear from him. At this time agent made a date with Mr. Harrison for the following day to take a ride to Lambert Flying Field which is about twelve miles from St. Louis.

On January 9, 1935 about 1:00 P.M. agent, on company with Mr. Harrison drove to University City, Clayton, Missouri and onto Lambert Field. On arriving at Lambert Field a mail plane was leaving for Kansas City. Mr. Harrison stated that he had never been close to a plane and stated his desire to climb into one and examine it. Agent secured permission from a mechanic to look at several planes in the hangars. Mr. Harrison climbed into a plane and examined it from one end to another, stating that none of his boys had ever been up in a plane except Willie; that Willie came from California by plane during the summer and topped off at home for three or four days and caught another plane to Chicago; that Willie seemed to like flying and he had told him of taking several trips by air. At this time, agent stated his desire to visit Chicago and Mr. Harrison suggested that agent go by air and leave his car in his, Harrison's, garage, that he would be glad to take care of the car, that he hoped Willie would come home before agent departed so that he could tell agent all about flying. It should be noted at this time that the St. Louis morning papers carried a story about Russell Gibson one of the subjects in this case having been killed by Federal agents in Chicago and Willie Harrison, a St. Louis golf professional was being held with two women. During the entire afternoon, Mr. Harrison never mentioned reading this story and agent deemed it advisable not to mention subject. About 7:30 P.M., while in general conversation with Micky McCard, who is caddy master at Algonquin Club and works for the Harrison brothers, Walter Donald and Elmer, McCard stated that he was going downtown and agent offered to give him a ride as he does not have a car. While driving to town, McCard stated that Walter and Elmer had read the story in the morning papers about Willie and had destroyed the paper, so that their parents could not read it; that on account of their age, and extreme nervousness, they were afraid they could not understand how Willie could have gotten mixed up with a gang of kidnapers; that Willie did not come home Christmas and they did not know what to think. McCard further stated that he had known Willie several years; that he was a heavy drinker and ran around with a wild crowd and that he was not a bit surprised to hear of him doing anything; that he hoped Mr. and Mrs. Harrison did not hear about it and asked agent not to mention anything about it to Mr. Harrison; that he was sure Willie would communicate with Elmer in the next few days.

On January 15, 1935 while in conversation with Micky McCard, agent asked if the Harrison boys had heard from Willie. Micky stated that they had not and seemed to be worried; that they had no idea where he was at this time and that they were afraid he was mixed up with a bad gang since reading the story in the St. Louis papers but was sure he would communicate with them in the near future.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

ST. LOUIS OFFICE, will continue to check all leads on Willie Harrison and endeavor to locate him through his family as agent has a good contact with family.

PENDING

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FROM: UNIT 1 & UNIT #3

1-21-1935.

TO: ☐ Director  
☐ Mr. Nathan  
☐ Mr. Tolson  
☐ Mr. Edwards  
☐ Mr. Quinn  
☒ Mr. Tamm  
☐ Unit Two

Unit Four

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☐ Personnel Files  
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☐ Identification Unit  
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☐ Technical Laboratory

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☐ Mr. Richmond  
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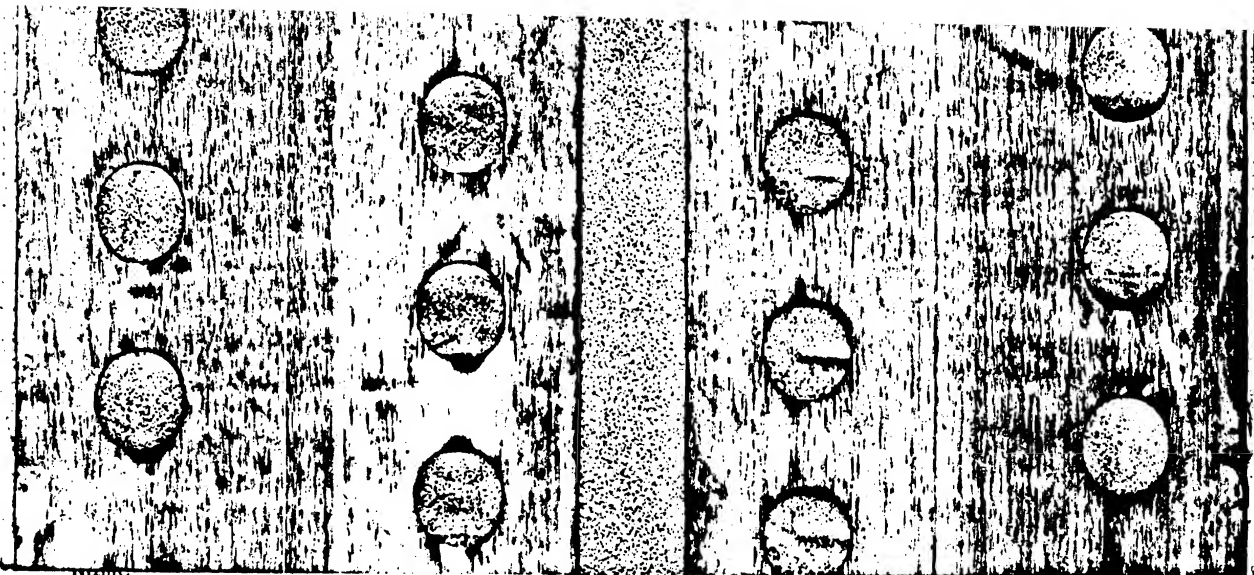
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☐ Mr. Fagan  
☐ Mr. Foxworth

☐ Miss Gandy  
☐ Mrs. Kelley  
☐ Washington Field Office  
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Name department forwarding  
Date card forwarded

Offense for which wanted  
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Name and address of parties to be notified of apprehension

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Nationality	Marital Status
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January 24, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1218;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, I. O. 1232; ET AL.  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

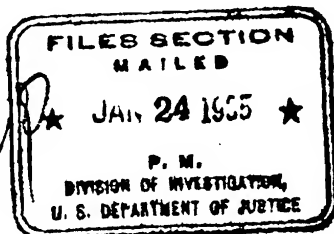
Reference is made to the report of Special Agent  
W. L. Buchanan, dated January 18, 1935, at St. Louis, Missouri,  
reporting the results of that Agent's contacts with the members  
of the family of William J. Harrison, father of Willie Harrison,  
who is being sought in connection with the above entitled case.

The Division desires that this surveillance be continued  
until such time as the identity of the Agent appears to have become  
known to the Harrison family.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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Laboratory Report

Case: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, et al.  
Edward George Bremer, Victim

Number: 7-576-3346

Specimens: A. 3 pages from the Dept. of State, State of Missouri, one of which bears the signature of Grace R. Hansen.

Examination requested by: Kansas City Division Office

Date received: January 22, 1935

Examination requested: Comparison of signature with that in our files of Edna Price.

Result of examination:

Examination by: Pickering

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*Mrs Edna Sullivan W a . e e*  
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*More similarities to her than to any other*  
*of the specimens on file in this case*  
*Engine No 1058715*

**Division of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**

1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building,  
Kansas City, Missouri.  
January 12, 1935.

ATTENTION: DIVISION LABORATORY.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I O #1219,  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I O #1219,  
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, #1213,  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, #1232, ET AL,  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM; KIDNAPING.

There is transmitted herewith a certified photostatic copy of Certificate of Missouri Title for Pontiac Sedan, Motor No. 1052715, which automobile is the property of one Grace R. Hansen. The certificate of title bears what purports to be the original signature of Grace R. Hansen.

It will be noted that recently information was received from police officials at Pittsburg, Kansas, that this Pontiac car, the license number of which was furnished to this office, was seen in the vicinity of the home of Harry Stanley of Pittsburg, Kansas. Harry Stanley is a brother of Edna Murray, who is thought to be at present traveling with Subject Volney Davis. This automobile is serviced at intervals at the Noel V. Wood Pontiac Company at Kansas City, Missouri, where it was purchased. Arrangements are in effect at this office whereby notice will be given whenever the car appears at that garage again, in order that the individual may be observed and surveillance made.

A specimen of the handwriting in the form of a signature of Edna Murray under her alias Edna Price is in possession of the Kansas City office, and while it does not appear that the signature

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is identical with that of Grace R. Hansen shown on the certificate of title, it is thought that expert comparison in the Division Laboratory should be made to determine whether the signature of Grace R. Hansen is probably identical with either that of Edna Murray or any other of the suspected parties in this case, whose signatures are on file at the Division.

Very truly yours,



R. B. NATHAN  
Special Agent in Charge

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cc-Mr. Connelley-Chicago  
Encl-Division

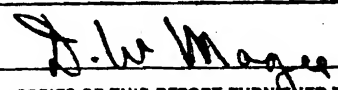
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FORM NO. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINN.**

FILE NO. **7-15.** **CW.**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>NEW ORLEANS, LA.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>1/15/35</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>1/9-15/35</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>J. M. McGRATH</b>
TITLE: <b>ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219; RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. #1213; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>KIDNAPING</b>
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b></p> <p>M. J. Connell has not appeared at the offices of L. R. Hoover or E. A. Parsons, attorneys, New Orleans, since January 4, 1935. Efforts to locate Mr. E. McVay, former associate of Doris O'Connor in New Orleans, have not been successful. No further information could be developed regarding the location of Rex Reiser, with aliases.</p> <p><b>REFERENCE:</b></p> <p>Letter from New Orleans Office to E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Ill., 1/8/35; report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, Kansas City, Mo., 1/4/35, and reports of Special Agent J. M. McGrath, New Orleans, La., 12/20/34 and 12/22/34.</p> <p><b>DETAILS:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA</u></p> <p>Both E. A. Parsons, attorney, Whitney Building, and L. R. Hoover, attorney, Canal Bank Building, have advised that M. J. Connell has not contacted them since his visit on January 4, 1935. They stated that in the event he does call again they will arrange on some pretext to have him call back and will, in the meanwhile, notify the New Orleans Division Office.</p> <p>Extensive but unsuccessful efforts have been made to locate Mr. E. McVay, who, Mr. Hoover states, operates a machine shop somewhere on St. Philip Street or St. Peters Street. McVay is a former friend of Doris O'Connor and her deceased husband, Emory Connell. Mr. Hoover said he had not seen McVay for several years but the last time Mr. Hoover saw him on the streets in New Orleans McVay said he was operating the machine shop but Mr. Hoover did</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED:  SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		RECORDED AND INDEXED: <b>JAN 21 1935</b> CHECKED OFF: <b>JAN 22 1935</b> JACKETED:	
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not have any information regarding its location except that it was supposed to be somewhere on St. Peters Street or St. Philip Street.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, Kansas City, Mo., January 4, 1935, requesting that the New Orleans file 31-1243, in which Rex Reiser, with aliases, is the Subject, and Mrs. Elizabeth Allen is the Victim, be reviewed. This file has been heretofore reviewed at the New Orleans office but it contains only four serials which are reports in possession of the Kansas City office, the office of origin. This file contains no information relating to former home addresses of Rex Reiser but it did contain information regarding the criminal record of this individual. All of these records of arrest at New Orleans have been reviewed at the Police Department, New Orleans, and the information procured from the police files was checked and the result set out in the report of this agent dated December 20, 1934, at New Orleans. A review of the file at the office of the Secret Service at New Orleans indicated that in November, 1924, Edward L. Reiser, the father of Rex Reiser, resided at 8000 Independence Road, Kansas City, Missouri.

Maurice Woulfe, attorney, Balter Building, New Orleans, who represented Rex Reiser in a case involving violation of the National Automobile Theft Act, New Orleans file 26-4, which is mentioned in the report of Special Agent J. M. McGrath, New Orleans, La., December 20, 1934, was interviewed and stated that he was on the bond of Rex Reiser in that case and Reiser jumped the bond and was later apprehended by the Secret Service at the home of his father at Kansas City, Mo., some time in 1924. Mr. Woulfe said he has had no contact with Reiser since then and is unfriendly to him because Reiser skipped his bond. Mr. Woulfe said that Rose Chandler was a narcotic addict and a former associate of Reiser but he does not know where she is located and has not heard anything of her for a number of years. He said that he heard about four years ago that Lucille Houston, who has been mentioned as a former associate of Rex Reiser, and Doris O'Connor, is dead.

**UNDEVELOPED LEADS:**

KANSAS CITY OFFICE is requested to endeavor to locate Rex Reiser through his father, Edward L. Reiser, 8000 Independence Road, Kansas City, Mo.

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EAT:CDW

JANUARY 20, 1935

SEND FOLLOWING TELEGRAM TO ALL OFFICES LISTED ON ATTACHED LIST:

BREKID SUBJECTS ALVIN KARPIS AND HARRY CAMPBELL ENGAGED IN GUN BATTLE WITH ATLANTIC CITY NEW JERSEY POLICE DEPARTMENT APPROXIMATELY SEVEN AM THIS MORNING STOP CAMPBELL REPORTED WOUNDED BOTH SUBJECTS MAKING GETAWAY IN PONTIAC COACH BEARING NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE NEW JERSEY LICENSE PLATES A THREE NAUGHT SEVEN THREE PEA GREEN IN COLOR MOTOR NUMBER ONE NAUGHT THREE NINE THREE EIGHT TWO STOP DOLORES DELANEY AND WINONA BURDETTE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY AT ATLANTIC CITY NEW JERSEY STOP NOTIFY ALL POLICE DEPARTMENTS YOUR DISTRICT BE ON WATCH FOR THIS CAR AND ITS OCCUPANTS ADVISING THEM OF DANGEROUS CHARACTER OF OCCUPANTS STOP ARRANGE CONTACTS HOSPITALS YOUR DISTRICT FOR NOTIFICATION IN EVENT CAMPBELL RECEIVED FOR TREATMENT STOP IDENTITY OF OCCUPANTS OF CAR MAY BE DISCLOSED TO POLICE OFFICERS AND HOSPITALS STOP SUBJECTS MAY HAVE CHANGED TO USING FORD V8 DELUXE SEDAN WHITE WIRE WHEELS POSSIBLY BEARING FLORIDA TENNESSEE OR ILLINOIS LICENSE PLATES

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January 18, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

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Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218  
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et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim  
KIDNAPING.

JAN 22 1935

Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy, Little Rock, Arkansas,  
communicated by telephone with Special Agent V. W. Peterson of this office  
today, at which time he furnished the following information:

Special Agent Hottel was conducting investigation at Hot Springs,  
Arkansas today, and incidental to other investigation, contacted T. K. PITTMAN,  
General Delivery Clerk, United States Post Office, Hot Springs, Arkansas.  
Pittman stated that a man giving the name of J. BATES resided in Hot Springs,  
Arkansas for a period of two weeks prior to January 13, 1935, at which time  
he departed. Each day that J. Bates was in Hot Springs, he received a  
special delivery letter bearing the return address of 448 St. Peter St. St.  
Paul, Minnesota. One J. E. BATES of Hot Springs, Arkansas, operates the  
Terminal Hotel at that place. On or about January 12, 1935, a letter intend-  
ed for J. Bates, previously referred to, was delivered to the Terminal Hotel  
to J. E. Bates, the proprietor of said hotel. Mrs. J. E. Bates opened the  
letter, inasmuch as she believed that it was intended for her. The letter  
contained the salutation of "Dear Ed": A large part of the letter was dis-  
guised so that anyone reading it who was not familiar with the contents of  
same would not be able to decipher its meaning. Individuals referred to in  
the letter were mentioned by initials, for example: It was stated that the  
writer of the letter had seen F; J; and V. The letter appeared to have been  
written by a woman. Some reference was made in the letter to the Bremer  
kidnaping case, and it stated in substance: "If you were to come in and give  
up it would not win you anything". The letter was signed "Joe". On the day  
following, four St. Paul newspapers, also apparently intended for J. Bates  
were delivered to the J. E. Bates family at the Terminal Hotel in Hot Springs.  
The newspapers contained several Bremer kidnaping articles all of which were  
marked by the person who sent them. On the day the newspapers were received,  
which was about January 13, 1935, they were returned by J. E. Bates, proprietor  
of the Terminal Hotel, Hot Springs, to the Postmaster. Mr. Bates discussed  
them with the Postal Clerk, T. W. Pittman, and he failed to mention it to  
the Postmaster. After they were returned to the Post Office, T. W. Pittman  
gave them to J. BATES, for whom they were originally intended. J. BATES  
apparently immediately left Hot Springs, and in a letter dated January 14,  
1935, addressed to the Postmaster, he instructed that all mail for J. Bates

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should be forwarded to 448 St. Peter St., St. Paul, Minnesota. This letter was signed J. E. BATES. On January 17, 1935, a telegram was received by the Postmaster at Hot Springs, requesting the Postmaster to forward all mail for J. Bates to General Delivery, Kansas City, Missouri. The telegram was signed J. BATES. According to T. W. Pittman two girls were apparently in the company of J. Bates.

J. BATES was described as follows:

Age: 40 to 45 years  
Height: 5 ft. 9 or 10 inches.  
Weight: 150 pounds  
Complexion: Medium  
Hair: Dark  
Face: Slender  
Wore dark clothes, and carried an overcoat over his arm.

Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy communicated by telephone with Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan, Kansas City, Missouri, and the Kansas City office is conducting appropriate investigation at that place.

It is requested that the St. Paul office immediately initiate investigation with reference to the address of 448 St. Peter St., St. Paul, Minn. It should be borne in mind that from the nature of the correspondence which was observed by the hotel keeper and his wife, at Hot Springs, the individual known as J. Bates may be a subject in this case. Special Agent in Charge Conroy is proceeding immediately to Hot Springs, Arkansas for the purpose of attempting to develop further information in this matter, and the St. Paul and Kansas City offices, as well as the Division, will be kept advised as to the developments.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.  
(Special Assignment).

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JANUARY 20, 1935.

Please send the following telegram to the addresses listed on the sheet attached hereto:

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NOTIFY BY RADIO BROADCAST AND TELETYPE ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICES YOUR DISTRICT TO BE ON WATCH FOR 1935 TWO DOOR ~~BUICK~~ SEDAN MOTOR NUMBER 4949155 SERIAL NUMBER 2783525 LAST SEEN WITH FLORIDA LICENSE NUMBER D-5306 BEARING ALVIN KARPIS I.O. TWELVE EIGHTEEN AND DELORES DELANEY STOP KARPIS REPORTED ACCOMPANIED BY DELORES DELANEY WHO IS IN PREGNANT CONDITION ON VERGE OF CHILD BIRTH STOP NOTIFY ALL OFFICES OF DANGEROUS CHARACTER OF KARPIS TO EXERCISE ALL PRECAUTIONS IN EFFECTING THEIR APPREHENSION STOP CAR AND OCCUPANTS LAST SEEN IN FLORIDA SEVERAL DAYS AGO.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 20, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TALL

Pursuant to your instructions I called Mr. Harvey and advised him of the lead at Newark, New Jersey the automobile dealer named Leonard Codomo who has a place of business at 317 Central Avenue. I explained to him that Gregory IX Codomo, brother of Leonard, and one Duke Randall went to Florida last Fall and Randall purchased a car from Alvin Karpis and that possibly Karpis has been furnished with the Newark, New Jersey address of the Codomos. I instructed Mr. Harvey to have this address covered as well as the residence address of Codomo.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby

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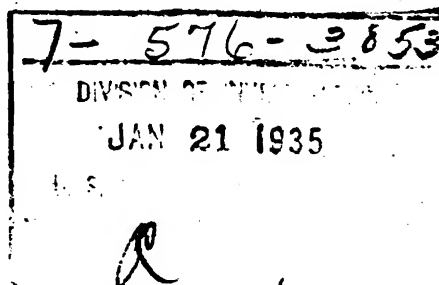
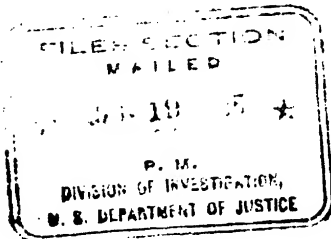
MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,  
MR. WILLIAM STANLEY

As you know, "Doc" Barker, one of the participants in the Bremer kidnaping, has been taken into custody and is presently incarcerated in the County Jail at St. Paul, Minnesota. I feel that "Doc" Barker is one of the most dangerous criminals in the country today and accordingly, every precaution should be taken, not only to prevent his escape, from the county jail, but also to prevent Barker's committing suicide. When Barker was placed in the County Jail yesterday, arrangements were made with the Sheriff to employ three special deputy sheriffs, so that one man will constantly remain in front of Barker's cell, keeping him under constant surveillance. The Sheriff's Office is unable to pay the expense of maintaining these three extra guards and accordingly, I recommend that the United States Marshal at St. Paul be instructed to employ three additional deputy marshals to maintain this constant guard of "Doc" Barker. Since the Sheriff at St. Paul has already employed three individuals known by him to be trustworthy, it is suggested that the Marshal at St. Paul be instructed to employ as deputy United States Marshals those individuals who have already been employed by the Sheriff. In view of the urgency of this situation, it is requested that if you approve this suggestion, telegraphic instructions be issued to the United States Marshal at St. Paul this morning, authorizing the employment of these additional deputy United States Marshals.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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ALVIN KARPIS 10 TWELVE EIGHTEEN TELETYPE MESSAGE RECEIVED  
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U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

January 17, 1935.

RE: CRK

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 5:00 PM

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
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Miss Gandy.....

I telephoned Mr. Alt at Jacksonville and advised him that you desired to obtain, if possible, photographs of the house and the premises where the shooting occurred, particularly with reference to the effects of the rifle fire, the machine guns and everything which might prove of interest.

I inquired if the fingerprints of Kate and Fred Barker had been taken. Mr. Alt stated that Mr. Connelley was going to get these; and I advised him that it had been rumored that Barker had tried to mutilate his fingerprints and to be certain that these were taken. Mr. Alt stated that Mr. Connelley had told him that Barker had evidently tried to do this; and that he would get in touch with Mr. Connelley and convey to him your wish with reference to the photographs.

Respectfully,

E.A. Tamm

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Post Office Box 4907,  
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January 20, 1935.

Director,  
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Washington, D. C.

Mr. Nathan.....
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Miss Gandy.....

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases -- I.O. #1218;  
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases -- I.O. #1219;  
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases -- I.O. #1213;  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases -- I.O.  
#1232; ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -  
VICTIM. KIDNAPING.

There are enclosed herewith, with suitable notations  
attached, 24 photographs of the property at Oklawaha, Florida,  
located on Lake Weir, which was rented from Carson Bradford by  
Fred Barker and Kate Barker.

This shows the house in which Fred and Kate Barker were  
killed on January 16, 1935, during period from 7:30 - 9:00 A. M.

I am arranging to ship on January 21, 1935, by express  
all the seized guns taken in the raid and used by the Barkers, for  
suitable tests in the Laboratory and also for the purpose of bringing  
out the obliterated numbers on same so we may trace them. OK.

There are also enclosed three pictures of Kate and Fred  
Barker.

Very truly yours,

*E. J. Connelley*  
E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
January 17, 1935

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218,  
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219,  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232,  
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. 1213,  
et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim,  
KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to Division letter of January 8, 1935 in the above captioned case in which I am authorized to pay [redacted] an informant, the sum of \$100.00 in order that he may proceed to Kansas City, Missouri with the view to ascertaining information concerning the whereabouts of members of this gang.

In view of recent developments in this case in other districts I am somewhat reluctant to advance [redacted] his money until I hear further from the Division. It is therefore kindly requested that you inform me immediately whether you feel that it will now be necessary for [redacted] to proceed on this mission for the Division.

Very truly yours,

*Dwight Brantley*  
DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc St. Paul  
Mr. Connelley, Chicago  
Kansas City

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218,  
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1252,  
et al  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim,  
Kidnaping.

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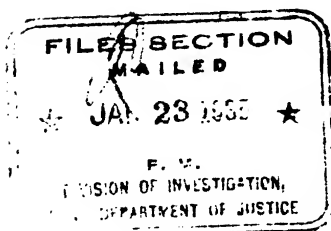
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Reference is made to your letter dated January 17, 1935,  
relative to the employment of [redacted] as an informant in  
connection with the above entitled case.

In view of recent developments in this case, it is not  
desired that informant [redacted] be employed at this time.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc-St. Paul  
E. J. Connelley  
Kansas City



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Post Office Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
January 18, 1935.

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Mr. J. D. Mallock,  
Post Office Inspector in Charge,  
Federal Building,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it is respectfully requested that you arrange for a mail cover to be placed upon all mail received at Box 104 at Commerce, Oklahoma and all mail received by Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Stanley at that same address; also on all mail received in Box 84, Cardin, Oklahoma, and all mail received by Mrs. J. D. Stanley at that same address, and all mail received at 622 South Cedar Street, Sapulpa, Oklahoma, and all mail received by Lloyd Stanley at that same address. It will be appreciated if tracings of this mail are made by the respective postmasters and that said tracings be forwarded immediately to this office upon receipt of each parcel of mail. Our file number in this case is 7-36.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter, I remain

Very truly yours,

cc Division

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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January 25, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

The Division is in receipt of a copy of your letter addressed to Mr. W. H. Hallack, Post Office Inspector in Charge, Federal Building, Kansas City, Missouri, under date of January 13, 1935, in which you request a mail cover.

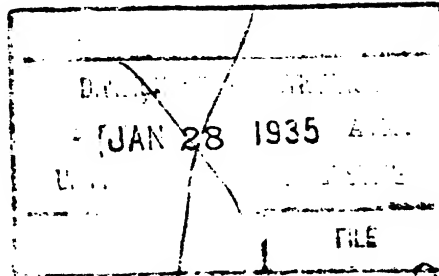
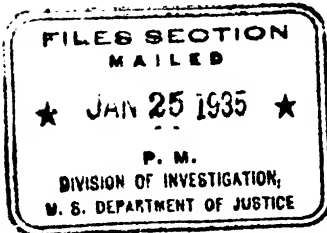
Please be informed that the copy of this letter received in the Division bears no notation as to the case to which it pertains and you are requested to promptly inform the Division in this regard.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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U. S. Department of Justice  
414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

January 21, 1935.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
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Washington, D. C.

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases, et al  
Edward G. Bremer-Victim  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Relative to the above captioned case there are  
transmitted herewith copies of the following for the  
Division's information:

7 memoranda dated 1-20-35 prepared by  
Special Agent J. Heffler.

1 memorandum of Special Agent J. R.  
Sharp dated 1-20-35.

1 Statement of Wyona Burdette dated  
1-20-35 at Philadelphia, Pa.

Very truly yours,

*R. Whitley*

R. Whitley,  
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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January 20, 1935.

Memorandum for the File

At about 6:15 AM a code wire was received from the Division re Alvin Karpis, ~~Harvey Campbell~~ and Delores Delaney, requesting us to be on the lookout for 1935 two-door Buick Sedan, motor No. 4949155, serial No. 2783525, last seen with Florida license No. D-5306, that Miss Delaney is in a pregnant condition on verge of childbirth. Also that all law enforcement offices should be notified by radio broadcast and teletype.

After de-coding the telegram this information was relayed to the Pennsylvania State Police, Philadelphia Police, Atlantic City Police, for radio and teletype, besides notifying the various bridge and ferry companies in the Philadelphia District.

At about 7:15 AM, Agent was advised that at about 6:50 AM, the Atlantic City Police had had a gun fight with Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, that they had taken a LaSalle Car and thinks that three men were in the car. The information with reference to the LaSalle car later proved to be false and is disregarded at this time.

Agent proceeded to call in the various agents, also notifying Mr. E. A. Tamm of the Division and Mr. Fierstone of the New York Office. Agents Sharp, Miller, Meskins and Mills were sent to Atlantic City with Sharp in charge, upon advice from Captain Higby of the Atlantic City Police that Delores Delaney and Winona Burdette had been captured after the gun fight, these two being girl friends of Karpis and Campbell.

Captain Higby later advised that the car in which Karpis and Campbell were last seen was a Pontiac Coach pea-green color, 1935, New Jersey License A-3073, engine No. 1039382, Serial No. 887386, property of one Harold Brand.

This information was immediately relayed to the various interested parties countermanding the request for a search for the LaSalle Sedan.

J. Heffler,  
Special Agent.

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Mr. Tamm of the Division advised that the Division desired form waivers on both Winonah Burdette and Delores Delaney in order that they might be transferred from Atlantic City, N. J. to our custody in Philadelphia. This office was advised also by Special Agent in Charge R. G. Harvey that in order to protect ourselves it was well to receive a doctor's certificate stating that Delores Delaney was in good enough condition to be removed to Philadelphia without any possible serious consequences.

Arrangements were made with Miss Woods of the Hahnemann Hospital, Broad & Race Sts., Philadelphia, to have Delores Delaney placed in a private room, No. 1018, under constant attendance of a special nurse and under the surveillance of two Special Agents at all times. This has been done.

Agent Gerdes proceeded to Atlantic City with waiver forms to be signed by Misses Burdette and Delaney. This office was advised at 5:00 PM by Mr. Sharp from Atlantic City that both girls had signed waivers and were willing to be transferred to Philadelphia, also that Dr. James H. Mason, 1616 Pacific Ave., Atlantic City, N. J. certified in writing that in his opinion Delores Delaney's condition would not be endangered by removing her to Philadelphia and this was substantiated by a written notification of Dr. Carl A. Surran, Surgeon, Department of Public Safety, Atlantic City, N. J.

At 5:00 PM Agent Sharp advised this office that Misses Burdette and Delaney were proceeding to Philadelphia, accompanied by Special Agents U. J. Gerdes and Ross Miller, of the Philadelphia Office, besides Dr. Surran and four Atlantic City police and County Sheriff Born of Atlantic City. The names of the city policeman were not obtained.

The parties arrived in Philadelphia at approximately 7:30 and Miss Delaney was immediately taken to her private room 1018 Hahnemann Hospital and is under the constant care of a nurse and at the time of this memorandum is being kept under the constant surveillance of Special Agents Fay and Knittle of this office.

Miss Burdette was taken into the Philadelphia Division Office awaiting such time when she can be placed in an apartment. Both she and Miss Delaney are being constantly questioned and as of 11:20 PM agents Ross, Miller, Townsend and Thompson are in the process of obtaining a written statement from her.

J. Heffler,  
Special Agent.

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January 20, 1935.

Memorandum for File

During the day the following were contacted either in person or by telephone:

- 1-All Phila. Hospitals with reference to possible Campbell gun wound
- 2-All ferries and toll bridges in the Phila. Office area
- 3-Phila. P. D. for relaying radio cars
- 4-Penna. State Police, Harrisburg, for 8-State teletype relay
- 5-Atlantic City Police for information re gun fight
- 6-Miscellaneous Police Departments in the Phila. District

In constant touch with the Division; Philadelphia SAC Harvey at New York City; Agent Sharp at Atlantic City P. D.; Agent Hood at Newark, N. J.; and one conversation each with SAC E. J. Connelly, Cincinnati, Ohio, and SAC R. A. Alt, Jacksonville, Fla., both calling from Jacksonville, Fla.

J. Heffler,  
Special Agent.

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January 20, 1935.

Memorandum on Call from Agent Sharp, from Atlantic  
City, 11:00 A. M., 1-20-35

After conferring with the Atlantic City, N. J. P. D. Agent Sharp relayed the following information:

On the strength of the teletype sent by the Miami, Fla. P. D. the Buick Sedan, Florida license D-5306, was located in the Coast Garage on South Kentucky Ave., Atlantic City, at about 3:30 AM by Atlantic City Detectives Eddie Mulhern, George Brennan and Archie Whitham and Officers McGaffney and Morinelli, that they also had located the occupants of the car at the Hotel Danmore, 123 S. Kentucky Ave., Atlantic City, although this was about two hours later due to having some difficulty with a bell hop.

After a gun battle with two individuals who escaped, these officers arrested Winonah Burdette and Delores Delaney, the latter having been shot in the leg presumably by Karpis during the gun battle. Winonah Burdette stated that she and Delores Delaney had been staying at the Danmore Hotel, Atlantic City, with Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.

The police pursued Karpis and Campbell who escaped in a Pontiac Coach color pea-green, 1935 New Jersey license A-3073, engine No. 1039382, Serial 887386, the car being the property of one Harold Brand. The police pursued them down Pacific Ave., Atlantic City, but lost sight of them and are not in a position to tell which way they are headed. The Buick is in the New Deal Garage, N. South Carolina Ave., Atlantic City.

A 0.22 Colt revolver and a 0.22 rifle were found in the car. Winonah Burdette believed that Campbell was shot in the scuffle and may be dead. Karpis had registered in the hotel under the name of Carson and Campbell registered under the name of Cameron.

Mr. Sharp advised that he would relay addition information as he received it.

J. Heffler,  
Special Agent.

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January 20, 1935.

Memorandum of Telephone Conversation with SA Sharp, 11:40 AM,  
1-20-35 from Atlantic City.

Mr. Sharp advised that after the conversation with Winonah Burdette at the Atlantic City Detective Headquarters that she stated she had been picked up in Ponca City, Oklahoma, by Harry Campbell on or about 11-21-34 and taken by him in a Ford car to Florida. While in Ponca City she had been living at a place on South Elm Street and had been broadcasting over Station WBBZ with Jimmie and Eunice Burdette, her sisters.

She stopped at Lake Oklahawa with Fred and Kate Barker remaining there from about November 27, 1934, to last Sunday, January 13, 1935.

On January 9 Alvin Karpis visited them, coming from Miami. On January 13, she and Harry Campbell left for Miami, going to a house in Miami maintained by Karpis. At this place she met Delores Delaney for the first time. They stayed there until Wednesday, January 16, 1935, at which time Karpis and Campbell left in the aforementioned Buick at that time giving the girls a slip of paper with the name Danmore Hotel, Atlantic City, advising them that they would meet them there.

The girls left by train on that date, transferred in Philadelphia, and arrived at Atlantic City about 2:15 PM, Friday, January 18, 1935. They were registered under the name of the Graham sisters.

The men arrived Saturday morning, about 1:00 AM. The men were registered in room 403 and the girls in room 400.

J. Heffler,  
Special Agent.

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January 20, 1935.

Memorandum of Phone Call from Agent Sharp, Atlantic  
City, 2:40 PM, 1-20-35.

Agent Sharp advises that a party by the name of Duke Randall sent a letter to William A. Morley, proprietor of the Danmore Hotel, Atlantic City, advising him that he was sending some friends and that he should see that these parties are referred to a good doctor. That they had been referred to Dr. Carl A. Surran who, incidently, is the Surgeon of the Department of Public Safety in Atlantic City, they having no knowledge that he held that position. This letter was presumed to have come from Randall at the Talmiami Hotel, Miami, Fla. Mr. Morley was of the opinion that Randall could be located in Newark, N. J.

Note: SAC Connelly of the Cincinnati, Ohio, Office spoke with agent from the Jacksonville Office and advised that it was not necessary to attempt to locate Duke Randall in Newark, N. J. since he had an agent keeping Randall under constant surveillance at the Talmiami Hotel, Miami, Fla.; that Duke Randall was employed by the Biscayne Dog Track at Miami, Fla. and in the event there was any possibility that Duke Randall would attempt to leave town he would immediately be picked up.

J. Heffler,  
Special Agent.

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January 20, 1935.

Summary Memorandum Telephonically Submitted by Agent  
Sharp from Atlantic City, N. J. 7:00 P. M. 1-20-35.

Notes were found in the clothing of Alvin Karpis and in the pocketbook of Delores Delaney indicating that Duke Randall had sent these parties to the Danmore Hotel in Atlantic City to contact Mr. Morley. Duke Randall was known to have lived at the Grant Hotel, Newark, N. J. last October. Ascertained from Morley of the Danmore Hotel that he had received a letter several days ago from Duke Randall on the stationery of the Tamiami Hotel, Miami, Fla. stating that he was sending some friends to the hotel and that Morley should recommend them to a good doctor.

Pictures of Randall were obtained from Robert Brown, 137 S. Massachusetts Ave., Atlantic City, who stated that he played in an orchestra managed by Randall in Atlantic City last year. Randall apparently stayed at the Danmore Hotel while in Atlantic City and is now working for the Biscayne Dog Track in Miami. Copies of these pictures had been sent to the Philadelphia Office by Agent Miller to be used for identification of Randall who is known to have used the alias of Henry Stern.

The Pontiac Sedan, Motor No. 1039382, serial No. 867386, bearing New Jersey License, 1935, A-3073, which was stolen by Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis at the time of their escape from Atlantic City at the Coast Garage, 173 S. Kentucky Ave., was owned by Mrs. Elsie Brand, 44 S. Plaza Place, Atlantic City. He made his escape 5:50 AM after a gun battle with Atlantic City Police, both in the Hotel Danmore and in the streets in the immediate vicinity. The Atlantic City Police took into custody Winonah Burdette and Delores Delaney in room 400 of the Danmore Hotel.

These girls arrived in Atlantic City by train at 2:15 PM, Friday, January 18, 1935, from Miami, Fla. where they had been staying in an apartment with Karpis and Campbell. Winonah Burdette stated she had left Ponca City, Oklahoma, about November 21, 1934, where she had been living on Elm Street with her sister Jimmie Burdette and Eunice Burdette. They were broadcasting from Station WBEZ in Ponca City, Oklahoma. She proceeded with Harry Campbell from Ponca City to the house of Fred and Kate Barker at Okaholawolla, Fla., where she was from approximately November 28, 1934, until last Sunday, January 13, 1935.

Now taking statements from Mr. and Mrs. Morley.

J. R. Sharp,  
Special Agent.

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Memorandum of Phone Call from SAC R. A. Alt, Jacksonville, Fla., 9:50 P. M. 1-20-35

Mr. Alt referred Agent to Bremer Kidnaping Case report of SAC Hanson, Birmingham, Ala., dated 11-23-34, pages 8, 9 and 10, relative to the fact that Duke Randall and Gregory Codomo had entertained one Joe Adams at Newark, N. J. and that Adams was now reciprocating by entertaining Randall and Codomo at the El Commodore Hotel, Miami, Fla. and has been doing so since sometime in November, 1934.

Codomo has a brother in Newark named Leonard who runs the Select Used Car Co., Inc., 317 Central Ave., Newark, N. J. and suggests that a discreet investigation at Newark might reveal a possible contact by Karpis and Campbell since Randall was the person who had written a letter of introduction for Karpis and Campbell to Mr. Morley at the Danmore Hotel, Atlantic City, N. J.

Note: This information was attempted to be immediately relayed to Hood and Martin at Newark and at present word has been left for them to contact this office immediately.

J. Heffler,  
Special Agent.

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P. S. After the above memorandum was made Agent was advised by Special Agent Hood that he had received this information from Special Agent in Charge Harvey at New York City and together with five members of the Newark Police Department, was conducting the investigation in Newark.

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Philadelphia, Pa.,  
January 20, 1935.

I, Wynona Burdett, freely and voluntarily make the following statement to  
L. R. Miller, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of  
Justice, without any threats or promises being made to me and knowing that  
the same will be used in the courts against me.

My name is Wynona Burdett. I am 21 years of age. My parents are dead and  
when I am home I stay with my sisters Jimmie and Eunice Burdett on South Elm  
Street, Ponca City, Oklahoma. After I was released by the Division Agents in  
Chicago, Mrs. Sawyer, Paula Harmon and myself went to Cleveland, Ohio, and got  
our personal effects from the lawyer there. Paula went to Beaumont, Texas from  
Cleveland and I accompanied Mrs. Sawyer to St. Paul where I stayed at her  
friend's home whose name I do not remember. Mrs. Sawyer gave me \$100 and  
Paula Harmon had given me \$100. I took a train for Tulsa, Oklahoma, and I  
stayed with my sister Ruth Whinnery on East Second St. one night and then I  
went to Hominy, Okla. and stayed one night with another sister Esther Wilson  
and then I went to Ponca City and started living with my other two sisters  
Jimmie and Eunice. I lived with them approximately six weeks or two months  
and started to work at the Radio Station W.B.B.Z. at Ponca City as an enter-  
tainer.

During the time I was in Ponca I received no word or communication from  
Harry Campbell by letter or otherwise until one evening a few days before  
Thanksgiving Day Harry Campbell came to my sister's home and I decided to go  
away with him again. Harry was driving a 1934 Ford Sedan and it had Florida  
license plates on it the numbers now being unknown to me. We drove to Okla-  
waha Lake, Fla. where Fred Barker and his mother Kate Barker had a large house  
there on the lake. Harry and I lived here with Kate and Fred Barker until  
about January 13 when we left in Harry's Ford, each of us taking a suit-case  
for the purpose of visiting Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney who were living  
in a house in Miami, Fla. During the time we lived in Oklawaha I saw Doc  
Barker there only once and that was New Year's Day 1935. Slim Gray was with  
him. They stayed all day New Year's and left that night. They were alone.  
Harry and I left Sunday the 13th and got in Miami, Fla. that night. I did  
not know the address where Karpis and Dolores lived but Harry knew it. We  
stayed there Sunday night and Monday night, Tuesday and Wednesday the 16th.  
We heard about the shooting at Oklawaha on Wednesday morning over the radio.  
Dolores and I were at home alone on Wednesday A. M. and Harry and Karpis  
were out fishing some place. They got in about 7:00 P. M. that evening.  
He told Harry and Karpis about the shooting and we started making plans to  
leave Miami. They both went out that night. We made plans for Dolores and  
I to go to Atlantic City on the train and Harry and Karpis were to drive up  
and meet us. Harry and Karpis told Dolores and I to register at the Dan-  
more Hotel and ask for a Mr. Morley at this hotel. Harry and Karpis left  
Wednesday night the 16th, driving for Atlantic City, and were to meet them  
at the hotel where we would register under the name of Mrs. Graham and sis-  
ter. The boys did not tell us under what name they were going to register  
at the hotel. I do not know what Harry did with his Ford car because they  
came to Atlantic City in Karpis' Buick. We came to Philadelphia, Pa. by  
train and then transferred to another train for Atlantic City. We arrived

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in Atlantic City on Friday, January 19th, at about 2 P.M. and registered at the Danmore Hotel and received room 400. I was not present when Dolores talked to either Mr. or Mrs. Morley and do not know what arrangements were made by her with them.

Karpis and Campbell got in Saturday morning about 1:00 A.M. and they came to our room. They told us the next morning that they were occupying room 403. Dolores and I did some shopping Saturday morning. He went to bed Saturday night, I sleeping in room 403 with Harry and Karpis staying in room 400 with Dolores. I was in room 403 when I was awakened by Harry who was walking around in the room. It was some time before 6 o'clock in the morning because it was still dark. Harry told me to go down to room 400 and get Karpis. Harry acted sort of peculiar at this time like he was having a nightmare. I ran out of 403 and down the hall to 400. I thought I saw a man on the 3rd floor and I heard voices and I thought it was the officers coming. I knocked on the door at 400 and yelled at him and I said something was wrong and that the cops were coming. He opened the door and ran out of 400 in his underwear and went into room 403. The hall was lighted and I stayed by the door of my room and watched. I saw after a while Karpis in his underwear headed for our room on the run and the cops who were in the hall were shooting at him. I did not see any gun in his hand when he ran toward our room. He almost pushed me over getting into the room. He grabbed his trousers put them on and then ran back down the hall away from our door. I saw both Harry and Karpis disappear down the steps at the other end of the hall. This was the last time I saw either of them. Dolores was hit by one of the bullets fired by the police as I did not see Harry or Alvin shoot at anyone. I do not recall hearing over three shots although there might have been more fired. Dolores and I put on our coats immediately after this and started down the hall in the same direction in which the boys had run. We were in our bare feet with nothing on under our coats but our night gowns. We ran down the steps and out into the street and up the alley. The alley was full of water and gravel and finally Dolores who had been shot in the leg and who was also about ready to give birth to a child said she was getting weak so I said let's go back to the hotel. We then went on back to the hotel to room 400. Dolores went to bed and I dressed. Mrs. Morley had called the doctor and he came soon after. The officers were also there as soon as the doctor arrived. Dolores was taken to the hospital and I was taken to the City Jail. I want to add that after Dolores and I came down the steps and out of the hotel in trying to make our escape there was a lot of shooting around the corner from us.

I have known Harry Campbell for about four years. I know that both he and Alvin Karpis were badly wanted by the Federal Government for crimes charged against them particularly the Bremer kidnaping at St. Paul, Minn. I was conscious of this when I lived with Harry Campbell in Florida and also conscious of it when I agreed to meet him and Alvin Karpis at Atlantic City, N. J. having been advised of the fact by the Chicago Office of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, to which organization I previously made a statement concerning my knowledge of the activities of the so-called Karpis-Barker gang. With this knowledge I knowingly told Alvin Karpis that the cops were after him in Atlantic City, N. J. on Sunday morning, January 20, 1935. At the time of my arrest I had two \$50 bills in my possession which Harry had given me. At the time of Harry's escape I believe he had

\$500. I do not know how much money Karpis had.

I have read this statement consisting of three typewritten pages and the same is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Witnesses:

R. Whitley, Special Agent, Divn. of Investigation, U.S. Dept. of Justice, New York	
A. R. Miller, Special Agent. " " " " " " " " " " " "	Phila.
H. A. Thompson, Special Agent; " " " " " " " " " " " "	Phila.

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